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Prices and Prospects.

STANDARD COKE STANDS PAT FOR STANDARD PRICE

In Spite of Quite a Number of Sales at Lower Rates of

OFF-GRADE AND INFERIOR COKE

Demand for Spot Coke Light but the Offerings Have Diminished, Surplus Probably Absorbed, Good Prices for Low Grades; Why Coke Can't Recede

Special to The Weekly Courier

PITTSBURG, Sept. 17.—The leading producers of standard grade coke are as firm as ever in their insistence upon $2.50 for furnace coke for prompt or forward delivery, and they maintain this attitude despite the fact that quite a number of sales of coke were made from one to two weeks ago at less than this figure usually involving coke decidedly under grade but in some instances involving coke which stood very close to the standard set by the most exacting.

In the past few days the market has really been stronger than it was, as the cut price sales have passed in to history without breaking the general level, and leaving it that the operators will hold out for $2.50 against the next important business which comes up, this being the October coke of such furnaces operating as are not already covered.

There is no suspicion in any quarter that the Producers' Coke Company has departed from its $2.50 price, in the case of either small or large lots. It is represented however, that it made the great bulk of its sales prior to September 1.

Last week several sales of moderate sized tonnages of standard coke were made for $2.50 for delivery over a part of this month. No contracts for a month or longer period are reported during the past business week.

Demand for prompt or spot coke for furnace use is light, but offerings appear to have diminished also and it is inferred that the bulk of the coke which was pressing the market some days ago is now out of the way.

There has been further curtailment of production in the past week by several operators outside the Producers Coke Company. This is due to a desire to protect contracts made long ago and which run to the close of the year.

Remarkably high prices are being secured for coke outside of the regular furnace class, considering that the $2.50 price on standard furnace coke has been under fire. Stock coke has sold for $1.90 to dealers equal to $2.00 to consumers for heating purposes. Smelter coke has been decidedly active and has been bringing $1.80 and $1.90 for coke running very high in sulphur well above 2 per cent. This is coke which has been almost given away frequently in the past, relative to prices then obtaining for standard grade.

Operators are firm in their ideas as to prices for the balance of the year, in the belief that no more coke could be sold at less than $2.50 than at $2.50. Practically all of them have contracts made for the year 1913 at prices in the neighborhood of $2.50 and they recognize that a departure from this figure would invite pressure for the revision of such contracts, which would involve a large direct loss. Again, the pressure of bankers is more clearly recognized that substantially the present price should be secured to protect securities and paper now outstanding.

The market is quotable unchanged from last week, and with a firm tone as regards standard grades.

Prompt furnace	$2.50
Contract furnace	$2.50
Prompt foundry	$2.90@$3.00
Contract foundry	$2.90@$3.00

The pig iron market continues extremely quiet, but the prices are firmly maintained nevertheless and the attitude of sellers is not whether there is any possibility of present prices being cut, but whether advances over recent quotations can be secured. It is insisted that even a moderate amount of buying would quickly develop a slightly higher level. Meanwhile the market remains quotable as formerly: Bessemer $15.25@$14.00, Basic $14.00, No. 2 Foundry $14.00, Malleable $14.25, Forge $13.50, at Valley furnaces, 50 cents higher delivered Pittsburg.

SOUTHERN STEEL COMPANY

Will Build $7,000,000 Plant at Mobile, Including By-Product Ovens

The Southern Steel Company capitalized at $30,000,000 is reported to have completed arrangements issuing the construction of an extensive plant on the river front near Mobile. It has purchased 8,000 acres 50 of which will be occupied by buildings and machinery representing an investment of $7,000,000, the daily output to be 1,000 tons of steel rails and other products. The plant will be constructed in two units, each of 500 tons daily capacity. Contracts have been awarded for clearing the land preparatory to constructing the works and building the necessary industrial city. The plant will include a by-product coke works having a capacity of 1,000 tons per day. The company is composed of Northern capitalists.

STEEL OUTLOOK SHOWS DISTINCT IMPROVEMENT

Wide-Open Market Makes No Change and Upward Trend Looked for Southern Iron Strong

Special to The Weekly Courier

NEW YORK, Sept. 17.—The American Metal Market and Daily Iron & Steel Report will say tomorrow:

The steel outlook has undergone distinct improvement in the week not through any material improvement in the total volume of business offered but through a change in the position of many buyers whereby they are becoming interested in forward movements. Theoretically the outlook is better in that the wide open market which has existed now for several weeks in the majority of steel products is not resulting in materially lower prices. There is a curious resistance to declines which is absolutely not attributable to any collusion among sellers and is evidently due to the vital fact that actual consumption is clearly equal to practically the entire producing capacity of the industry.

Where our prices are made they are made to secure definite orders for early delivery and these cuts are hardly more pronounced than they were a fortnight ago indicating that if prices are trending downward at all they are far from breaking. Day by day buyers are evidently coming to realize that the market may change from a buyers market to a sellers market any day and requests to be taken care of in such event are growing more frequent.

The general average level of prices for shapes plates bars sheets and tubular goods is not discernibly lower than a fortnight ago. Wire products though they have been moving more freely in the past fortnight than formerly are possibly more under suspicion.

Southern pig iron is showing a further increase in strength with many sellers now asking $1 0 Birmingham for this year and refusing to quote for next year.

The market for Connellsville furnace coke of standard grade is still $2.50 although there have been some concessions particularly on coke slightly under standard.

The old material markets are steady but show very little activity considering the activity of the mills in actual operations.

PIG IRON PRODUCTION

For August Shows Little Loss Compared With July Output

A gradual recession in the production of coke and anthracite pig iron is shown by August statistics says the Cleveland Iron Trade Review. The output last month was 2,337,018 tons, compared with 2,358,279 tons in July, a loss of only 21,257 tons. Since the high mark was passed in May the monthly losses in June and July have been 200,000 tons and 58,000 tons respectively.

The average daily production showed a loss last month of 686 tons, the average for August being 81,859 tons against 82,525 tons in July.

The loss in output was largely the result of decreased activity of the merchant furnaces. The output of merchant iron in August was 655,533 tons against 675,833 tons in July, a loss of 16,520 tons. The steel works or non merchant furnaces produced 1,856,976 tons in August compared with 1,859,177 tons in July, a loss of only 2,202 tons.

There was a net loss of four in the number of active stacks comparing the last days of July and August. The number in blast on August 31 was 260, on July 31, 264. The merchant furnaces showed a loss of three, six being blown out and three blown in.

Seven steel works furnaces were blown out while six were put in, blast, a net loss of one.

GREENE COUNTY COAL SALES

Six Hundred Dollars Per Acre Reported Paid by J. V. Thompson

J. V. Thompson of Uniontown recently bought several more tracts of coal in Cumberland township, Greene county from C. I. Hart, I. O. Christopher, Eli G. Baily, H. F. Baily, A. F. Randolph, George T. Luse, Smith and Houlsworth Burnett and others, but in most of these cases the consideration announced is only nominal. His purchase of some ninety acres from J. E. Baily of Carmichaels is said to have been at $600 per acre for coal and $90 per acre for the surface.

Newton Newcomer, of Uniontown, warden of the jail, has purchased from Wallace J. Hawkins of Millsboro 182.1* acres of coal in Springhill township, Greene county, for $18,213.

J. B. G. Linehart, of New York City, has purchased from Anna M. Turner and T. C. Turner and Jane Scott of Allegheny county, 75.141 acres of coal in Center township, Greene county, for $14,271.66.

Colorado as a Coal Producer

More than three quarters of a million tons of coal was produced in Colorado for the month of July and the total output for the year so far is 5,087,837 tons according to the report of the State Mine Inspector.

Pocahontas Locks Men

Operators in the Pocahontas field in West Virginia are making valiant efforts to meet the natural increase in demand for their coal but are hampered by a lack of men.

A Small Road With Big Traffic.

The Virginia railway had a very good month during July, when 321,825 tons of coal were moved by its line. The termination is unchanged.

Review of the Connellsville Coke Trade.

Statistical Summary.

PRODUCTION	WEEK ENDING SEPT. 13, 1913				WEEK ENDING SEPT. 6, 1913			
DISTRICT	Ovens.	In	Out	Tons	Ovens.	In	Out.	Tons
Connellsville	22,119	17,089	5,230	220,140	22,119	17,082	5,237	209,843
Lower Connellsville	16,749	13,033	3,714	134,670	16,749	13,240	3,509	139,446
Totals	39,068	30,122	8,944	354,810	39,068	30,322	8,746	349,289
FURNACE OVENS								
Connellsville	18,069	13,928	4,141	179,670	18,069	13,928	4,141	169,61[illegible]
Lower Connellsville	5,552	4,604	948	39,390	5,552	4,604	948	39,350
Totals	23,621	18,532	5,089	219,060	23,621	18,532	5,089	221,9[illegible]
MERCHANT OVENS								
Connellsville	4,050	3,161	1,089	40,470	4,050	3,161	1,096	40,230
Lower Connellsville	11,197	8,431	2,766	95,280	11,197	8,636	2,561	104,266
Totals	15,447	11,592	3,855	135,750	15,447	11,790	3,657	144,496

SHIPMENTS	WEEK ENDING SEPT. 13, 1913	WEEK ENDING SEPT. 6, 1913
To Pittsburg	3,602 Cars	3,438 Cars
To Points West of Pittsburg	5,946 Cars	6,430 Cars
To Points East of the Region	1,192 Cars	1,041 Cars
Totals	10,740 Cars	10,609 Cars

ANOTHER ECHO OF RECENT SALES OF LOW-GRADE COKE

Iron Trade Paper Complains of High Coke Prices but Admits

FURNACEMEN LACKING IN EFFORT

To Better Their Own Price Conditions Feet of Some Set in Right Path Danger of a Short Coke Supply This Winter Depends on Boom

The Daily Iron Trade in as its name implies a publication specially representative of the iron trade. We will not assert that it has any prejudice against the coke trade. But if it has any bias it is in favor of the consumer of coke rather than the producer. The following editorial review of the Connellsville coke trade is therefore interesting at this time:

The Connellsville furnace coke market the past few days has developed such a varied crop of price rumors that any buyer or seller may feel free to take his own choice. Of course the most of these rumors have to do with the price of prompt fuel but if the lower quotations such as $2.25 ovens and even $2.25 ovens continue to be made for any length of time they may have some effect upon the contract market which even today appears to be firmly held at $2.50 ovens. It is known that some comparatively small lots of standard coke for prompt delivery have been sold around $2.35 ovens. It is also known that some of the coke sold at a price lower than $2.50 ovens has proved to be of a lower grade than the commonly accepted specifications for standard coke. It must be admitted however that most of the larger consumers of furnace coke were covered some days since for September delivery and a number of contracts have been made for an even longer term.

The immediate price situation threatened to become more complicated some days ago by a scarcity of water in the regions which threatened to shut down certain works. However the arrival of a heavy rainfall helped some and the far sightedness of other producers in providing their own water supply helped more and the threatened coke shortage was averted. It appears that some of the steel works ovens are closing down a considerable number closed down some weeks previously. It also appeared that some producers are slow to reduce their prices because of assurances that had been given to local financial interests this entire episode being entirely a Connellsville region matter.

All in all the struggle of the coke producers in the Connellsville regions to maintain the price at a figure which they had set as profitable and which they held was fair to the pig iron maker has taken on a new phase which is rapidly becoming intensely interesting to both sides. The disinclination of the pig iron market to rise from the close approximation to the cost line which has prevailed for some weeks has thrown the entire coke market into such peculiar complexity as has not been witnessed in many a day. It would seem the present turn of affairs will have more of a bearing upon the general coke market after it has had a few days in which to demonstrate itself. Too some authorities hold there is danger of a shortage in the coke supply next winter. And there you have it.

We are able to agree with the premises of our contemporary since they state the coke situation substantially as it is presented in The Weekly Courier's review of the current week. But we cannot follow the conclusion. We see no new phase of the situation so far as the Connellsville merchant coke operators are concerned. They have taken the stand that they can not sell their coke under $2.00 per ton and make a fair profit and that consequently they will not do so. Then determination is unchanged.

Concerning the furnacemen it is not likely that they are disinclined to advance their prices. It is more probable that they feel they cannot do so. Nevertheless in the absence of monopoly prices are regulated by the inexorable law of supply and demand. If the furnacemen can get close enough together to restrict their production to the demands of the steel trade leaving no surplus stocks to depress the market fair prices for pig iron will come for the asking. There are indications that the iron trade is already heeding that way. The progress is slow because of the reluctance of furnacemen to offer themselves as victims for the necessary sacrifice.

As noted by our iron trade contemporary some authorities hold that there is a danger of a shortage of coke this winter. Just why is not explained. The fault will not be with the producers. If there is any scarcity of coke it will necessarily be due to an increased demand. This may argue an increased demand for pig iron which may result in better iron prices. Many persons in the coke and iron trade look for better business during the last quarter of the year and this hope is probably the basis of the fear of a short coke supply.

In any event however it is apparent that the price of pig iron will never be better until furnacemen follow the example of the Connellsville coke producers and refuse to sell below a fair profit restricting output to meet demand. Coke can be piled up it is true but the process is dangerous to the producer and it exercises a bad influence on the market.

DISCRIMINATION IN COKE FREIGHT RATES

But Not in Favor of the Connellsville Region and Against West Virginia Quite the Contrary

The Secretary of the West Virginia Mine Association told the Senate Committee investigating the West Virginia coal mining strike that the West Virginia operators have been discriminated against in freight rates on coal shipments into territories in which they have been in competition with coal operators of Ohio, Illinois, Western Pennsylvania and Indiana. He asserted that the railroads had been forced to thus discriminate but he did not disclose by whom they were forced.

This is rather an extraordinary statement in view of the known facts and it casts a doubt upon the whole West Virginia case. The case of Bituminous coal against the coal carrying railroads operating between lake ports and the West Virginia and Pittsburg regions found the boot on the other foot. The railroads had been discriminating against the Pittsburg and in favor of the West Virginia operators. The Interstate Commerce Commission so decided and ordered the railroads to reduce the Pittsburg rate.

The Baltimore & Ohio railroad complied with the requirement of the commission but at the same time it reduced its West Virginia rate to a point that continues in the same ratio the discrimination complained of by the Pittsburg operators. The same thing happened in the Connellsville Coke Producers case. The Interstate Commerce Commission directed the rate on Connellsville coke to Wheeling and other points to be reduced on the ground that it was discriminatory. A lower rate being accorded the Fairmont district. The Connellsville rate was lowered 10 cents as directed by the commission but at the same time the West Virginia rate was lowered 10 cents leaving the discrimination practically the same as it was before the readjustment of the rates.

Steel Men Protest to Congress

Following a movement started by employes of the H. C. Frick Coke Company several weeks ago employes of the United States Steel Corporation in the Sharon and New Castle mills are circulating petitions protesting against the proposed dissolution of the organization.

Nova Scotia Coal Trade.

The Nova Scotia mines are very active and have been all summer. The Dominion Coal Company produced 425,636 tons in August the largest month in its history, surpassing by about 3,000 the record output of last October.

PROPER METHODS OF TAXING COAL IN THE GROUND

Will be Discussed by the American Mining Congress

OPPOSITE VIEWS ON SUBJECT

And the Reasonable Rule Which Almost Universally Obtains in Western Pennsylvania and Other Sections. A Compromise Proposition

One of the interesting questions to be discussed at the meeting of the American Mining Congress in Philadelphia next month is whether coal lands should be taxed at their present value, the tax being laid each year until their exhaustion, or whether the tax should be applied only when the coal reaches the market. The Chicago Black Diamond doubts whether coal in the hill should be taxed at all. It says:

For example a man owns 1,000 acres of coal land containing, we will say, 10,000 tons of coal per acre. In the first place he has 10,000,000 tons of coal. Many men while exercising the taxing power want to pile a certain tax for the full value of that land, this value being based upon the belief that the land contains 10,000,000 tons of coal. They want to assess that tax every year upon the full value of the property subject, perhaps a little every year for the subtraction of coal and adding on a little every year for increased value of what is left. Thus they start in with virgin coal land and tax it as coal land at an increasing value until the last pound has been worked out.

A great many very shrewd men say that this theory is entirely wrong. They say it is impossible to take out all of the known deposit of coal and use it, therefore it is wrong to tax coal that still remains and must remain below the ground as a waste product. Besides the coal may be in the ground under such conditions that it never can be taken out. Nobody can see below the surface of the earth. Nobody really knows what is down there until men can get at the stuff and find out whether it is extractable.

While this is all quite true there is generally a reasonable assurance that the coal is there and the public would never consent that it should be entirely free from taxation. The rule laid down in Western Pennsylvania is perhaps the most satisfactory to all interests. It is a compromise between the views expressed above. Coal under development and bringing in a revenue is taxed to its proper measure of value while undeveloped coal is taxed at a low valuation less than it ultimately sells for. The uncertainty of its quantity and quality and its non revenue producing character are sufficient justification for this rule.

COKE PRICES ADVANCED

In the West Virginia Region According to Recent Reports

It has been known for some time past that a number of coke operators in the Pocahontas region had ceased the manufacture of coke because they found the shipment of low coal at present prices more profitable than is manufacture into coke and it is now reported that the logical result of this condition has come to pass namely an advance in the price of the coke of this field.

It is now claimed that the Pocahontas Consolidated has advanced its prices for furnace coke to $ per ton, ovens and is foundry coke to $ ovens. Other prices are unchanged but strongly held. Production is still limited due to the shortage of coke but this may be relieved somewhat by the recent cooler weather during which more men can probably be induced to work around the ovens.

Production and Output.

THE UPPER CONNELLSVILLE AND GREENSBURG REGIONS

Continue to Show an Output of 50,000 Tons Weekly, the Major Portion for Western Shipment

The Upper Connellsville and Greensburg Connellsville coke regions continue to show an aggregate output of nearly 50,000 tons weekly of which 30,000 tons are shipped to western points. The Greensburg region operates full time and while a number of plants in the Upper Connellsville region are wholly or partially idle though the active ovens are operated full six days per week. The production of the two districts and its market is shown in the following tabulation:

District	Last	West	Total
Upper Conn.	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Greensburg	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Total	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

The shipments for the previous week were: Upper Connellsville region 29,366, Greensburg Connellsville region [illegible] total [illegible]. The consignments were: East [illegible] tons, West [illegible] tons, total [illegible] tons.

The weekly record of shipments from both regions for the present year from February 1 are shown in the following table:

Week Ending	Upper Conn. Tons	Gbg. Conn. Tons	Total Tons
Feb. 1	[illegible]	19,084	[illegible]
Feb. [illegible]	4,146	20,406	24,552
Mar. 1	34,34[illegible]	19,0[illegible]	[illegible]
Mar. 8	4,0[illegible]	19,147	54,400
Mar. 1[illegible]	4,0[illegible]	[illegible]	6,[illegible]30
Mar. [illegible]	24,04[illegible]	3,998	61,040
Mar. [illegible]	4,[illegible]	[illegible]	4,170
Apr. [illegible]	[illegible]	20,476	48,[illegible]71
Apr. 1[illegible]	[illegible]429	[illegible]	[illegible]
Apr. 1[illegible]	[illegible]	20,638	45,903
Apr. [illegible]	[illegible]	19,[illegible]	40,[illegible]
May 10	27,[illegible]01	21,471	48,67[illegible]
May 17	23,813	[illegible]	[illegible]
May 24	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
May 31	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
June [illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
June 14	[illegible]	18,403	[illegible]
June 21	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
June 28	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
July 5	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
July 12	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
July 19	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
July 26	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Aug. 2	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Aug. 9	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Aug. 16	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Aug. 23	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Aug. 30	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Sept. 6	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Sept. 13	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

MERCHANT OVENS CUT PRODUCTION OVER 8,000 TONS

To Meet Market Loaded With Off-Grade Low-Price Furnace Coke.

THEIR CONFIDENCE IN FUTURE

The Pessimistic East is a Barometer and the Wise West as a Maker of Optimistic Conditions. Eastern Business and the Smelter Trade.

The Connellsville coke trade shows the effect of recent sales of low grade and non Connellsville coke at cut prices. The merchant operators met this situation by curtailing their production over 8,000 tons last week. Production upon the whole shows a gain of 5,000 tons, taking increased to 375,000 tons but this was due to the increased production of the ovens of the steel interest. About [illegible] of the ovens laid off one day the previous week. Last week they ran full increasing the production of the furnace ovens over 14,000 tons. All of this production went out of the region. Practically no coke was stocked at either furnace or merchant ovens.

The merchant operators of the Connellsville region are full of confidence for the future. They believe their fight for $2.50 as a minimum price for furnace coke under existing conditions of manufacture is hamstrung and permanently won and they are encouraged to think that business for the last quarter of the year will be better in volume and at least steady in price. Eastern furnacemen are optimistic for the future and to the minds of the coke operators this is an infallible sign. It leads a feeling of substantial encouragement to make that sort of a feeling in that particular quarter. In the West a number of merchant furnaces have gone out and will remain out until surplus iron in steels are used up and prices are more profitable. This condition is rapidly approaching, a turning movement is expected soon and it is thought that it will come with a rush in which event the coke trade will take on a decided spurt.

The eastern coke trade keeps up remarkably well. This trade is periodically increased by the shipment of smelter coke most of which goes via the Baltimore & Ohio to Baltimore where it is loaded on ship and sent by water to Gulf ports for recoupment to the smelters of the Southwest and Mexico. The Mexican business however is now at a standstill owing to the disturbed condition of the country. This smelter coke is shipped from the high sulphur plants. While it is high in sulphur and consequently off grade is furnace coke is low in ash and bright in appearance and is preferred by the smelting interest. The sulphur content which is so objectionable in making iron cuts no figure in smelting of precious ore. Connellsville smelter coke is preferred to Main Line and Mountain cokes which are higher in ash and duller in appearance. Operating conditions are excellent. There is a sufficient supply of labor now that production has been curtailed cars are plentiful and there is no scarcity of water.

Production last week aggregated 371,510 tons of which the furnace interest produced 230,060 tons and the merchant interest 135,450 tons. In districts the Connellsville region produced 220,110 tons and the Lower Connellsville [illegible] tons. Compared with the previous week this shows an increase in furnace production of 21,097 tons and a decrease in merchant production of 5,746 tons making a net increase of 15,351 tons. The increase in the furnace production was due to the fact that the 532 active ovens in six days last week while the previous week 6[illegible] of them run only five days. The average working time of the 11,592 active merchant ovens was about [illegible] days.

Shipments for the week aggregated 10,740 cars carrying 3,411 tons consigned as follows:

District	Cars	Tons
Pittsburg	[illegible]	[illegible]
West	46	[illegible]
East	119	[illegible]

Compared with the previous week this shows an increase of [illegible] tons to the Pittsburg district and [illegible] tons to eastern points and a decrease of [illegible] tons to western points making a net decrease of [illegible] cars or [illegible] tons. The falling off in Western shipments was more than made up by increased consignments to the other districts.

There was a further blowing out of merchant ovens in the Lower Connellsville region which reduced the active oven list 18 ovens. The changes were as follows: Ovens blown out Donald (1) 78, Lemont 10, Washington (1) 75, Washington (2) [illegible], scattering 14, total 2[illegible] and blown in Griffin 10, Yukon 10, and scattering 34, total 54.

Pittsburg Steel's Earnings

The Pittsburg Steel Company's annual statement shows net earnings for the year ending June 30, 1913, $11,[illegible] an increase of $1,[illegible] over 1912. Wallace H. Rowe is president of this company and Charles L. Pearson formerly of Uniontown is secretary and treasurer.

THE SHORT CAR SUPPLY

Accompanied by Promise of an Early Buying Movement

The reported shortage in car supply is supplemented by a report that the railroads will not curtail a heavy buying movement if their proposed increase in eastern freight rates is allowed. In the meantime the short supply is causing serious complaints. The heavy coal trade and the fall crop movement are undoubtedly factors but a steady increase in business has also to be reckoned with in railroad calculation. The country continues to expand and railroad traffic grows with it.

The whole situation however according to The Daily Iron Trade tells of failure of the railroads to keep the rolling stock up to the requirements of traffic. At present in an unusually large number of cars are in the shops for repairs. One railroad alone is reported to be shopping 1,000 cars at this time. Many wooden cars have been destroyed during the past two and a half years and these in many cases have not been replaced numerically so that while the available capacity has grown the number of cars has not increased in the same degree. Furthermore it is stated that not all the cars ordered during the past year or more to replace unserviceable cars have been delivered.

STANLEY HITS PULLMAN CO.

Says They Are Not Anxious to Hurry Steel Car Construction

WASHINGTON, Sept. 16.—Scouting the claim of the Pullman Sleeping Car Company that the scarcity of steel is seriously retarding them in their efforts to construct all their cars of steel Representative A. O. Stanley, the House's iron and steel expert, laid the blame if blame there is upon the United States Steel Corporation for its alleged attempts to control the crude iron market.

Even though there may be efforts by the Steel Corporation to control the crude iron market it seems incredible to me, said Stanley, that the Pullman company should be deprived of necessary steel for any length of time. He further declared that the Pullman company is not over anxious to hurry the manufacture of steel cars.

COKE FREIGHT RATES

Further Changes in the Eastern Rates Under New Adjustment

The revision of coke and freight rates on Connellsville coke included reductions in the rates to Baltimore and Philadelphia as well as to the other points mentioned last week. The revised rates per ton of 2,000 lbs. are as follows:

Pittsburg	$ [illegible]
Youngstown and Valley points	1.20
Wheeling	1.[illegible]
Cleveland	1.65
Lorain	1.[illegible]
Toledo	1.40
Detroit	1.5[illegible]
Marquette	2.10
Milwaukee	2.70
Chicago	[illegible].50
St. Louis	[illegible].80
Buffalo	1.5[illegible]
Erie	1.[illegible]
Harrisburg	1.70
Baltimore	1.80
Philadelphia	[illegible]
New York	[illegible].80

FALLING OFF IN WEST VIRGINIA'S COKE PRODUCTION

Due to the Fact That Much of Its Coal Is Coked Elsewhere

IN MODERN BY-PRODUCT OVENS

A Southern Industrial Paper Suggests That West Virginia Should Engage in the Iron Business; the Coke and Iron Production of the South.

In his contribution to Mineral Resources of the United States for 1912, Edward Wheeler Parker of the United States Geological Survey refers to the fact that West Virginia is shipping so much of its coke to other states to be used in the iron industry. In 1912, with the passing of Indiana from sixth place to third in the rank of coke-producing states, West Virginia dropped to fourth place, having been passed by Alabama in 1911, when that state advanced to second place. Parker says:

"Although West Virginia has apparently retrograded as a manufacturer of coke, at least relatively, account should be taken of the fact that many coking establishments in other states draw their supplies of coal from West Virginia mines. This is particularly true of the retort oven plants in Ohio, Indiana and Illinois. In 1912 the quantity of coal made into coke in West Virginia was 4,061,702 short tons. It is probable that the quantity of West Virginia coal made into coke in ovens outside of the state exceeded 5,000,000 short tons. In the coke-making, as in the coal-mining lines of industry, West Virginia suffers from having relatively little home consumption for her products. Eighty per cent. of the coal mined in the state, and nearly all of the coke, is sent to consumers in other states. Next to Pennsylvania, West Virginia possesses more wealth in supplies of coking and other high grade coals than any other state in the Union, but as long as both the coal and the coke continue to be shipped out of the state, West Virginia will not attain the position she should occupy as a manufacturing state, nor will the miners of coal and makers of coke receive a just return for these products."

These observations move the Baltimore Manufacturer's Record to say: "Contrasting with Virginia is Alabama, where a large proportion, possibly 90% of the coke made in the state is consumed in furnaces which are owned by the interests owning and operating the coal mines and the coke ovens, and the lack in West Virginia of industries using West Virginia coke, is one of the contributions to a certain degree of lagging in the iron industry generally in the south. In the following table are compared coke-making and pig-iron production in 1900 and 1912:

COKE, SHORT TONS.

	1900	1912
Alabama	2,110,837	2,073,489
Georgia	73,928	43,158
Kentucky	95,532	191,575
Maryland	.....	*200,000
Missouri	2,087	.....
Oklahoma	38,141	.....
Tennessee	475,432	379,076
Virginia	585,756	967,947
West Virginia	2,358,499	2,465,936
Total	5,839,612	7,274,211
United States	20,583,748	43,983,599

*Estimated.

PIG IRON, LONG TONS.

	1900	1912
Alabama	1,284,337	1,862,909
Georgia	67,632	35,000
Kentucky	71,565	68,760
Maryland	200,075	219,546
Missouri	.....	.....
North Carolina	.....	.....
Tennessee	362,190	358,228
Texas	10,150	.....
Virginia	490,617	256,167
West Virginia	166,758	274,360
Total	2,642,720	3,054,980
United States	23,789,242	29,727,137

*Included with Georgia.

German Fuel Consumption.

According to a consular report, the estimated total consumption of coal, lignite, coke and briquets in Germany during the first six months of 1913 and 1912 in units of 1,000 metric tons was as follows:

Product.	1912	1913.
Coke	73,705	82,237
Lignite	42,587	45,373
Coke	11,503	12,793
Briquettes	10,440	11,016

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MINING AND COKING IN WAR-WORN MEXICO

Has Come to a Standstill and Some of the Plants Have Been Badly Damaged.

The coal mining and coke-making business of Mexico is practically at a standstill because of the disturbed condition of the country. These operations are chiefly confined to the upper portion of the nation, where the rebellion has been strongest and the disturbance greatest.

The Compania Carbonifera Agujita y Anexas report the complete destruction of its by-product coke plant at Lampacitos, in the State of Coalhuila, and say the rebels threaten to destroy the company's other plant at Agujita unless paid a ransom of $50,000.

Irving Trask of New York, who has been in charge of the operations of the Mexican Coal & Coke Company, controlled by Spencer Trask & Co., at Las Esperanzas, Mexico, arrived in Galveston a few days ago, having taken the advice of President Wilson to leave the country until order is restored. Two American employes of the company remained behind to keep the pumps going and protect the property, if possible. Trask told of the adversity which has overtaken his company in common with other enterprises in Northern Mexico since the overthrow of the Diaz administration three years ago. Since then one revolution has followed another, fighting has been more or less continuous, railroads have been destroyed and business paralyzed.

When the disturbances began the Mexican Coal & Coke Company employed about 5,000 men and operated coal mines, coking plants and a railroad line 25 miles in length, connecting with the Mexican National railway. Now the entire property is idle and half a million dollars worth of coal and coke is piled up at the mines, because of lack of shipping facilities as well as lack of demand. Rail communication is cut off, and industry is at a standstill.

Although the rebels who hold that part of Mexico have not destroyed any of the company's property, or threatened to do so unless bought off, certain French concerns owning mines in the neighborhood have not fared so well. Their plants have been damaged and in some cases large sums have been paid to the rebel leaders to escape further outrages.

PACIFIC COAST COKE

A By-Product Plant Projected to Run on Coal from This Section.

Pacific coast capitalists are figuring on the construction of a by-product coke plant at San Francisco to be operated on coal from this section to be shipped by water after the Panama Canal is completed and opened to navigation.

At present a great deal of coke is used on the Pacific Coast, being received from Australia. A by-product coke plant at San Francisco would have a good market for all the by-products so that there would be no loss from any source.

It is believed by many that such a plant receiving coal from Pennsylvania, West Virginia or Virginia would be a decidedly paying proposition.

STACK BLOWS IN

Pittsburg Steel Company Places Second in Use at Monessen.

The Pittsburg Steel Company has blown in its second stack at Monessen, where the company recently completed a blast furnace plant consisting of two 500-ton furnaces of the most recent design. Stacks are 90 feet high, with both diameters of 22 feet, 6 inches.

The building of these stacks will supply the Pittsburg Steel Company with sufficient pig iron to meet its needs, and will reduce consumption of scrap to a considerable extent, as the company plans to use direct metal. The company recently acquired ore properties in the new Cuyuna range, and has made arrangements for its supply of coke through the remainder of the year.

B. & O.'s New York Coke Terminals.

The Baltimore & Ohio railroad has purchased considerable property on Staten Island, New York Harbor, and is planning to erect coal terminals at that point to supplement its present facilities there. The specifications of the coal pier call for the erection of facilities of the most modern type in handling the coal traffic, originating on lines of the B. & O. and handled through the New York Harbor.

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LIST OF COKE OVENS IN

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With Their Owners, Address and Ovens in Blast Corrected to Saturday, Sep. 13, 1913.

Total Ovens.	In Blast.	Name of Works.	Name of Operators.	P. O. Address
200	200	Acme	W. J. Rainey	New York, N. Y.
40	....	Acme	Penn Coke Co.	Uniontown
300	200	Adelaide	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
356	200	Alverton	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
397	300	Bagley	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
182	182	Beatty	Mt. Pleasant Coke Co.	Greensburg
50	15	Bethany	Majestic Coke Co	Uniontown
200	200	Bitner	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
130	130	Boyce	Mt. Pleasant Coke Co.	Greensburg
240	175	Brinkerton	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
285	150	Buckeye	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
30	30	Brush Run	Brush Run Coke Company	Mt. Pleasant
280	175	Cabinet	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
32	....	Carolyn	Peerless-Connellsville Coke Co.	Pittsburg
303	250	Central	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
54	....	Chester	Sunshine Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
150	150	Clare	Clare Coke Co.	Greensburg
120	80	Coalbrook	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
400	400	Collier	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
400	400	Continental No. 1	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
225	250	Continental No. 2	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
300	250	Continental No. 3	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
129	100	Crossland	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
303	280	Davidson	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
40	23	Dexter	Connellsville Coke Co	Connellsville
280	150	Dorothy	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
40	....	Allen No. 1	Whyel Coke Co.	Uniontown
50	40	Ellen No. 2	Whyel Coke Co.	Uniontown
100	100	Elizabeth	Unity-Connellsville Coke Co	Greensburg
216	200	Elm Grove	W. J. Rainey	New York, N. Y.
185	116	Fort Hill	W. J. Rainey	New York, N. Y.
101	61	Gilmore	Gilmore Coke Co.	Uniontown
124	118	Grace	W. J. Rainey	New York, N. Y.
272	240	Hecla No. 1	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
200	200	Hecla No. 2	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
300	280	Hecla No. 3	H. C. Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
100	....	Henry Clay	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
355	355	Hostetter	Hostetter-Connellsville Coke Co.	Pittsburg
100	100	Humphrey	Bessemer Coke Co.	Pittsburg
280	200	Juniata	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
30	....	Junction	Magretta-Ganter Coal & Coke Co.	Connellsville
306	250	Kyle	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
499	399	Leisenring No. 1	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
498	350	Leisenring No. 2	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
523	350	Leisenring No. 3	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
304	275	Leith	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
227	200	Lemont No. 1	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
350	250	Lemont No. 2	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
20	....	Little Sunshine	King Coke Co.	Uniontown
22	22	Love	Clyde-Morrell Coal & Coke Co.	Scottdale
40	40	Maese	Maese Coke Co.	Uniontown
84	56	Mahoning	Mahoning Coal & Coke Co	Dunbar
640	400	Monongah	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
400	300	Marguerite	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
165	100	Morgan	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
220	214	Mt. Braddock	W. J. Rainey	New York, N. Y.
310	310	Mt. Pleasant	Mt. Pleasant Coke Co	Greensburg, Pa
116	115	Mutual	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
22	22	Myers	Brownfield-Cryle Coke Co.	Uniontown
229	200	Nellie	Brown & Cochran	Dawson
232	200	Oliphant	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
328	228	Oliver No. 1	Oliver & Snyder Steel Co.	Pittsburg
490	440	Oliver No. 2	Oliver & Snyder Steel Co.	Pittsburg
300	300	Oliver No. 3	Oliver & Snyder Steel Co.	Pittsburg
221	22	Painter	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
200	159	Paul	W. J. Rainey	New York, N. Y.
50	21	Pennsville	Pennsville Coke Co.	Pennsville
15	....	Perry	Marietta & Stillwagon	Perry
400	400	Phillips	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
95	68	Rainey	W. J. Rainey	New York, N. Y.
448	200	Redstone	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
550	270	Revere	W. J. Rainey	New York, N. Y.
20	20	Sapper	Shannon Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
110	60	Sarah-Solvay	Dunbar Furnace Co.	Dunbar
42	....	Shannon	Shannon Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
35	....	Shirley	South Fayette Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
448	350	Shoaf	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
625	350	Southwest No. 1	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
220	100	Southwest No. 2	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
205	102	Southwest No. 3	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
41	....	Spring Grove	Cochran Bros.	Dawson
903	780	Standard	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
155	120	Stewart	Stewart Iron Co.	Uniontown
125	....	Summit	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
40	....	Thomas	Whyel Coke Co.	Uniontown
464	460	Trotter	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
50	50	Union	W. J. Rainey	New York, N. Y.
350	200	United	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
245	100	Valley	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
60	60	Veteran	Mt. Pleasant Coke Co.	Greensburg
22	22	West Penn	West Penn Coke Co.	Uniontown
150	100	White	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
352	352	Whitney	Hostetter-Connellsville Coke Co.	Pittsburg
300	220	Wynn	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
200	175	Yorkrun	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
341	180	Youngstown	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg

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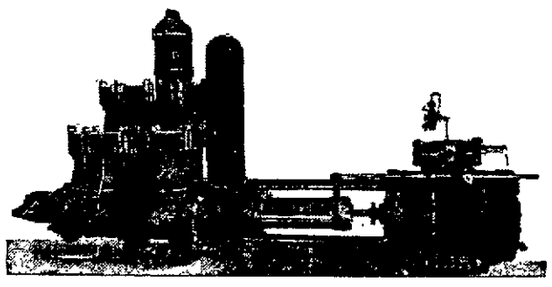

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GEOLOGICAL FIELD WORK IN PROGRESS IN PENNSYLVANIA

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THE THREE GENERAL BRANCHES

Covering Geology, Topography and Water Resources; Work Now Being Done in the Western Part of the State Including Somerset County.

So many of the most important industries of Pennsylvania relate directly to the development of its mineral resources that the work of the United States Geological Survey and that of the Topographic and Geologic Survey Commission of Pennsylvania have always been of especial importance in this state. The fact that the Federal Survey, whose activities include the entire United States, as well as Alaska and Hawaii, distributes every year over a million maps and printed reports and answers 150,000 to 160,000 letters may be taken as an indication of the extent to which the conclusions of this Government bureau are sought by the public. While the western portion of the United States is receiving a larger share of attention from the Federal Geological Survey than some of the older states of the East, owing to the requirements of the classification of public lands, especial attention is being given to the mineral resources of Pennsylvania, both through the Federal Survey and the State Commission.

The field work of the United States Geological Survey is organized under three general branches, namely: 1. The geological branch; 2. The topographic branch; 3. The water resources branch. Investigations are being made in mining development in the Carwensville, Houtzdale and Punxsutawney quadrangles, located in Clearfield, Indiana and Jefferson counties, which are being surveyed by the United States Geological Survey in cooperation with the State Commission. This work is being prosecuted under the direction of George H. Ashley. In this connection J. H. Hance will examine new mines, collecting coal samples for analysis, and will investigate recent developments in the clay industry of the region. Later Mr. Hance will examine the shales and clays in the Somerset quadrangle, the detailed areal and economic geology of which is now under examination by G. B. Richardson. The Somerset quadrangle which lies to the southwest of the Johnstown quadrangle, in Somerset county, contains a part of the coal field that is now rapidly developing. This field lies in the same basin as the celebrated Windber field.

The areal and stratigraphic geology of the Huntingdon quadrangle in Huntingdon county, is now being mapped by Charles Butts, who will combine the descriptions and maps of this quadrangle with those of the Hollidaysburg quadrangle, previously mapped by him for publication in a single folio of the Geological Atlas of the United States. A small strip along the northern border of the Williamsport and Hagerstown quadrangles, which are being examined in cooperation with the Maryland Geological Survey, falls within the State of Pennsylvania and will be examined and mapped by G. W. Stose.

Reports on the slates and on the detailed geology of several areas in the eastern part of the state are now in preparation.

The topographic branch of the Survey is making, in cooperation with the Pennsylvania State Commission, surveys of five 15-minute quadrangles, each having an approximate area of 225 square miles. These quadrangles are: The Reading, in Berks county; the Windber and Somerset, in Cambria, Somerset and Westmoreland counties; the Northeast, in Erie county; and the Milford, in Pike county. The Reading and Milford quadrangles are being mapped by Topographers Hersey Munroe, R. C. McKinney and Olinus Smith; the Windber and Somerset quadrangles by Robert Muldrow, T. F. Slaughter, and E. E. Witherspoon, and the Northeast by J. F. McBeth.

This work includes detailed surveys necessary to prepare maps which will show all rivers, towns, roads and railroads, as well as the surface relief of the country by means of 20-foot contour lines. The completed maps will be engraved on the scale of one mile to one inch and will probably not be ready for distribution until two years after the completion of the field work.

In connection with its investigations of surface water, the United States Geological Survey publishes records of stream flow at 16 gauging stations in Pennsylvania. Records for 12 of these stations are furnished by the Water Supply Commission of Pennsylvania, and records for the remaining four are supplied by the Philadelphia Board of Water Supply. At these gauging stations the height or stage of the rivers is determined each day by local observers, and measurements of the discharge of the streams are made at intervals by engineers of the water-resources branch of the Geological Survey. From these data the quantity of water flowing past the stations is determined. This information is of immediate use in Pennsylvania, in the design, construction and maintenance of power plants, in studies of flood prevention, water storage, and river regulation, and in the determination of suitable municipal water supplies. These hydrometric records are published in the reports of the Pennsylvania Water Supply Commission and in the regular series of the Water Supply Papers of the Federal Survey.

New Ohio Coal Operation.

The Cambria Mining Company, which is developing coal near Bellaire, O., has its shaft completed, and has given a contract for the erection of a steel tipple 50 feet high and 280 feet long.

WILL DRAIN A LAKE TO RECOVER THE ORE

Steel Corporation Undertakes Big Job on Mesabi Range; Other Ore Developments.

To transfer more than 200,000,000 gallons of water from Carson Lake to the stream leading into Kelly Lake is the task that, it is reported, will be undertaken on the Mesabi range by the United States Steel Corporation, if plans said to have been prepared by the engineers are adopted and the necessary appropriation is made, says the Cleveland Iron Trade Review. Drilling is reported to have shown the existence of a big body of ore underneath the bed of Carson Lake. In the Chisholm field of the Mesabi, the Steel Corporation has resumed the stripping operations at the Monroe-Tener mine. The work had been suspended since last winter. No ore has been taken from this pit since 1907, and at that time the property was mined on the milling system. In the same locality, the Great Northern interests are stripping the Dunwiddie property. Work was started last summer and has been pushed steadily ever since. Three shovels are at work and have been most of the summer. About 200 men are employed. It is the intention to push the work until it is finished. On account of this pit being so close to the Monroe mine, it has been necessary to remove several buildings, which stood close to the excavation. Part of the land on the north side has been used for the last few years by people in the Monroe for truck gardening. Next year, this area will be taken into the stripping. It is estimated that 2,000,000 cubic yards of overburden has already been taken out. This is only a small part of the total stripping to be done. It is reported that the Great Northern interests have planned to open four properties in the vicinity of Calumet, at the western end of the Mesabi, the work to be started the coming fall. One of these tracts, owned by the state, contains more than 10,000,000 tons of ore.

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Miners' Circular 15, "Rules for Mine Rescue and First-Aid Field Contests," by J. W. Paul. 1913. 12 pp.

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Of Special Interest to the Coal and Coke Trade.

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Coke loader, Perry R. Jordan and William Wright, Adamsville, Alabama, No. 1,072,731.

Apparatus for separating fine coal and the waste materials thereof, George E. Damon, Glenside, Pa., assignor to Lehigh Coal & Navigation Company, No. 1,072,833.

Coke oven door, Hermann Kickert, Herrington, near Hamm, Westphalia, Germany, No. 1,072,857.

Stop for mining-cars, James A. Nolan, Bowerston, Ohio, No. 1,072,977.

Accident in Steel Plant.

PITTSBURG, Sept. 16.—Steel trucks carrying steel "flasks" parted at the plant of the Union Steel Casting Company today, resulting in the probably serious injury of four foreign workmen. The accident was caused by the breaking of a chain uniting the heavily laden trucks.

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40	.....	Adah	Adah Coke Company	Uniontown
400	370	Alicia	W. Harry Brown	South Brownsville
200	200	Allison No. 1	W. J. Rainey	New York
40	40	Anica	The Wilkey & Feather Coke Co.	Uniontown
120	.....	Atchison	Republic Iron & Steel Co.	Gans
20	.....	Baxter Ridge	Baxter Ridge Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
40	42	Bellevernon	Bellevernon Coal Coal Co.	Pittsburg
100	100	Bridgeport	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
470	400	Brier Hill	Brier Hill Coke Co	Brier Hill
20	20	Browning	Browning Coke Co	Uniontown
50	34	Brownsville	Brownsville Coke Co	Uniontown
600	360	Buffington	H. C. Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
34	34	Burchinal	Smithfield Coal & Coke Co.	Smithfield
205	123	Century	Century Coke Co	Brownsville
40	.....	Champion	Champion Connellsville Coke Co.	Uniontown
24	.....	Coffman	South Fayette Coke Co	Uniontown
500	350	Colonial No. 1	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
156	156	Colonial No. 3	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
300	250	Colonial No. 4	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
127	100	Cyrilla	Sunshine Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
120	120	Crystal	United Connellsville Coke Co	Pittsburg
250	250	Dearth	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
402	202	Donald Nos. 1 & 2	Consolidated Connellsville Coke Co.	Uniontown
160	160	Donald No. 3	Consolidated Coke Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
40	40	Dunn	The Bixler Coal & Coke Co.	Pittsburg
300	400	Edenborn	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
149	149	Edna	Waltersburg Coke Co.	Uniontown
122	30	Eleanor	Sunshine Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
32	.....	Emory	South Fayette Coke Co	Uniontown
200	200	Fairbank	Struthers Coal & Coke Co.	Fairbank
22	.....	Finley	Jas. Byrne & Co.	Uniontown
400	350	Footedale	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Scottdale
220	120	Francis No. 1	Sunshine Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
40	20	Francis No. 2	Sunshine Coal & Coke Co	Uniontown
30	63	Fretts	South Fayette Coke Co	Uniontown
119	119	Garwood	Ætna-Connellsville Coke Co.	Connellsville
48	40	Genuine	Genuine Connellsville Coke Co	Uniontown
400	360	Griffin Nos. 1 & 2	Beesmer Coke Co	Pittsburg
210	210	Herbert	Connellsville Central Coke Co	Pittsburg
82	.....	Hillton	Sunshine Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
72	72	Hoover	James H. Hoover	McClellandtown
38	38	Hope	Hope Coke Co.	Uniontown
100	100	Hustead	Hustead-Semans Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
260	160	Isabella	Isabella-Connellsville Coke Co.	Pittsburg
140	118	Katherine	Union Connellsville Coke Co.	Uniontown
200	200	LaBelle	Labelle Coke Co.	Labelle
220	220	Lafayette	Atlas Coke Co	Helen
482	275	Lambert	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
516	453	Lackrone	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
20	30	Leon	Franklin Coke Co.	Uniontown
400	400	Lincoln	Lincoln Coal & Coke Co	Scottdale
260	125	Low Phos.	Connellsville Central Coke Co.	Pittsburg
24	.....	Luzerne	Luzerne Coal & Coke Co.	Pittsburg
45	.....	Madison	United Connellsville Coke Co.	Pittsburg
64	64	Marion	Southern Connellsville Coke Co.	Uniontown
244	244	Martin	Republic Iron & Steel Co.	Youngstown, O.
102	.....	McKeefrey	McKeefrey Coal Co.	Leetonia, Ohio
257	67	Millsboro	Beesmer Coke Co	Pittsburg
150	150	Mt. Hope	Mt. Hope Coke Co	Uniontown
60	60	Murphy	Eshard Coal & Coke Co.	Connellsville
30	.....	Newcomer	Newcomer Coke Co.	Uniontown
100	100	Old Dome	W. J. Parshall	Uniontown
480	300	Orient	Orient Coke Co	Uniontown
34	34	Parshall No. 1	Puritan Coke Co.	Uniontown
148	143	Parshall No. 2	Puritan Coke Co.	Uniontown
30	.....	Perry	Perry Coke Co.	Pittsburg
72	52	Plumer	Plumer Coke Co	Uniontown
102	86	Poland	Poland Coal Co.	Pittsburg
400	400	Republic	Republic Iron & Steel Co.	Uniontown
120	96	Rich Hill	Rich Hill Coal & Coke Co.	Outcrop
350	360	Ronco	H. C. Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
86	20	Rose	Sunshine Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
173	231	Royal	W. J. Rainey	New York, N. Y.
30	30	Sackett	H. K. Sackett Coal & Coke Co.	Smithfield
173	173	Searight	Taylor Coal & Coke Co	Uniontown
200	171	Shamrock	Fayette Coke Co.	Uniontown
100	70	Solon	Prospect Coal & Coke Co	Uniontown
310	310	Sterling	Consolidated C'ville Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
400	300	Thompson No. 1	Thompson-Connellsville Coke Co	Pittsburg
400	132	Thompson No. 2	Thompson-Connellsville Coke Co	Pittsburg
345	295	Tower Hill No. 1	Tower Hill Connellsville Coke Co.	Uniontown
294	124	Tower Hill No. 2	Tower Hill Connellsville Coke Co.	Uniontown
500	445	Washington No. 1	Washington Coal & Coke Co	Dawson
500	396	Washington No. 2	Washington Coal & Coke Co	Dawson
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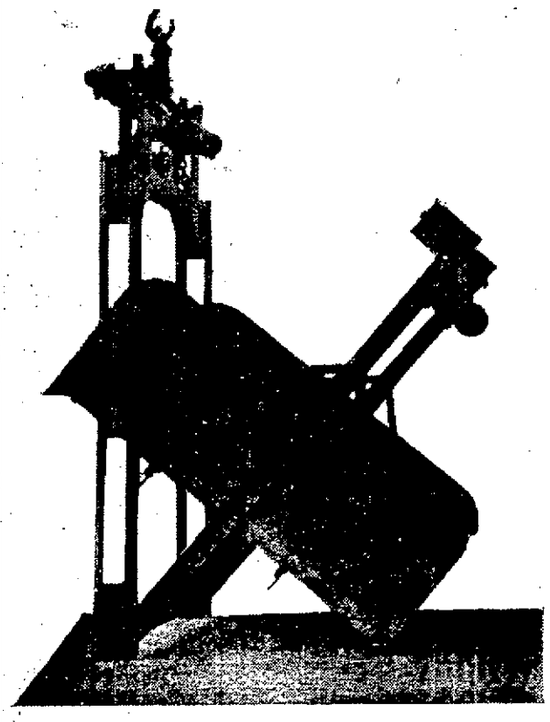

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THE NEW TARIFF BILL.

The Democratic Tariff bill has been finally passed, and the President and his administration are congratulating the People upon their great victory. This is Democratic statesmanship. We have had some experience with it in the past; we are unfortunately destined to have more of it in the future.

The Democratic Tariff bill is a political measure of benevolent character fathered by a few theorists who are strangers to experience and whose ideas are far from being practicable. We are forced to assume that they are for the most part sincere in their belief that the Democratic Free Trade bill will reduce the cost of living, that being the reason given for revising the Tariff, yet it is hard to understand, in such case, why a duty was retained on rice and another imposed on bananas. Furthermore, it will be recalled that the Democratic idea of a Tariff Bill was one which would yield revenue rather than protection. It was insisted that protection was unlawful. The present bill will result in very little of either; in fact, an income tax was considered necessary to provide the revenue lost under the Tariff bill.

The Democratic Tariff bill cuts protection to the bone and leaves most American industries exposed to the competition of the underpaid labor of Europe. Its effect upon our industries and the country generally cannot be anything but inimical. The only question is the degree of depression it will produce or ruin it will wreak. Time will determine that. The Democratic party wrecked itself twenty years ago upon the same rock, and it pretty nearly wrecked the whole country at the same time. Its present experience will be precisely the same, but we will hope that its victims, the people, will fare better.

It must be confessed, however, that the outlook is not rosy.

THE DEMOCRATIC RECORD.

It is announced that the Democratic statesmen at Washington, in their eager desire to punish Predatory Wealth, Special Privilege and all the other dwellers in the Enemy's Country, will, when they have finished the Tariff and Currency disturbances, frame some drastic anti-trust and anti-railroad legislation.

There may have been some appearance of excuse for the Tariff tinkering now drawing to a close, and the Currency tinkering now in full swing; but there are no good reasons, and not even any good politics, in persecuting our industries already hard put to make prosperous schedules under Free Trade conditions, and our railroads already subject to strict government regulation which has compelled them to raise wages twice without being permitted to add to their revenues by increased freight rates.

The railroads have been able to meet these rather trying conditions by reason of the flood of traffic which they have borne. The industrial interests have had excellent business, and if it keeps up they may weather the Tariff storm. If the Tariff puts any large proportion of the mills and furnaces out of commission, it is likely to bring distress upon the railroads by materially reducing their traffic and their income. The railroads may reduce operating expenses by suspending employes, but they cannot suspend their overhead charges. The interest, for example, goes on just the same.

There is no longer any necessity or any common sense in pestering every big corporation in the country because of its size and without regard to its character, especially since the Federal Government has shown its ability to correct any evil practises on the part of corporations, industrial or railroad, large or small, by due process of law.

The Democrats are trying to make a record, but the record they are making just at present is one well calculated to break their political necks rather than to promote their political ambitions.

FIRE PREVENTION.

The State Fire Marshal's advice to the local fire department is timely and sensible. The burden of it is that fire prevention is of even greater importance than fire extinguishment. That wise old patriot, Benjamin Franklin, expressed the same thought over a century ago when he said, "An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure."

To this end the State Fire Marshal recommends that there be systematic inspection of buildings, and that report be made on such as are liable to catch fire and endanger other property; also, that "any accumulations of rubbish in and around buildings that, by reason of its inflammable nature, might cause fire" should be reported. These are good suggestions, but the reports will be of small value unless authority is somewhere lodged to compel the owners of these premises to remove their dangerous features. We would suggest that an ordinance be framed along these lines, requiring such inspections and providing a means of enforcing the abatement of such dangerous nuisances. This ordinance cannot be passed too soon. Connellsville has many such nuisances.

Careful attention should also be given the fire-fighting apparatus and the water pressure, and especially in freezing weather should there be vigilant inspection of the fire hydrants, which sometimes freeze up and are discovered to be useless at critical moments.

PRIMARY RIGHTS AND WRONGS.

The Party Enrollment law effectually prevents party raiding, but it does not prevent party organs from trying to sow the dragon teeth of discord in the ranks of the opposition.

The Connellsville News, Democratic organ, which during the embryonic stages of Commission Government legislation was an eager advocate of its non-partisan ballot and a loud preacher of the doctrine of non-partisan municipal elections, has in this primary been intensely Democratic. It has not only tried to dictate Democratic nominations, but it has also attempted to influence the Republican nominations. Its solicitude for the nomination of certain Republican candidates is rather amusing in view of the fact that it will be against them if they are nominated.

At this primary Republicans are privileged to vote for whomsoever they please, and there is nothing whatever to prevent them from doing so, not even "party bosses." After the primary is over, the successful candidates have a right to expect their party vote.

The Courier has studiously refrained from interfering in either primary. The most it has done has been to urge the voters to nominate good men on either ticket to the end that good men shall be chosen to administer the new city government under the new centralized government law, which law as we have repeatedly explained is a good law only when the city government under it is administered by good men.

The primary election of today does not settle the matter. It is merely a preliminary step. The final verdict will be registered in November.

BANKS.

The announcement that the First-Second National Bank of Pittsburg will be reorganized and will reopen its doors for business is welcome news to the Connellsville region, not only because of the number of capitalists here who are interested in the bank, but also because it indicates that the Kuhns and the West Penn interests are emerging rapidly from the embarrassments into which they were unceremoniously thrown by the closing of a banking institution whose unfortunate condition was not of their making.

The opening of the bank will do much to restore confidence in Western Pennsylvania banks on the part of small depositors who are not always able to understand bank failures and whose faith in banks is shaken by every banking disaster, though the number of such disasters is few compared with the number of persons who lose their savings when they undertake to be their own bankers.

The average bank, in its worst condition, is infinitely safer than the sock bank.

Y. M. C. A. MANAGEMENT.

The Young Men's Christian Association of Connellsville has had a checkered but tenacious existence since it began its mission some years ago. Many times it seemed ready for the scrap heap of disappointed endeavor, but each time its pulse flickered strong hands lifted it up, ministered to it and imbued it with new life and vigor. Gradually it has grown stronger until it is now seemingly all but self-sustaining as it ought to be.

The reports for the past year are flattering. The association was never more successful. Its success is due in a great measure, if not wholly, to good management. The Young Men's Christian Association, like any other business or public institution, needs good officers, that is officers who are intelligent, active, earnest and unceasing in their efforts, and, in the case of the association particularly, with a thorough knowledge of boys and young men, their ambitions and recreations.

The Connellsville association is happy in having such officers.

THE MAINE ELECTION.

The Maine election indicates plainly the trend of public sentiment in the country. President Wilson chose to make the choice of a Congressman in the Third district a test of his administration's acceptability to the people; and, in oredr to make sure that the test was thorough and complete, the administration sent all its heavy ordorical guns into the field. Secretary Bryan was compelled to abandon a Chautauqua date and speak in the district, and even the betrayed Champ Clark was induced to campaign for the Democratic candidate. In spite of all these forces, however, the Republican candidate was elected. The returns indicate that the Democratic strength is on the wane. The Democratic administration is already under suspicion in the Maine woods. It will be under condemnation when the Democratic Tariff bill gets to working.

SCHOOL FUNDS.

The School Board has developed the old question concerning the rights and responsibilities of the School Treasurer by requiring the latter to deposit his money in a certain bank. The treasurer gives bond for the safe-keeping of the school money, and it is not within the province of the board to dictate to him where he shall keep it, unless the board at the same time relieves him of all responsibility so far as the depositary is concerned. The board does not seem to have done this. The treasurer should demand that the condition be set forth in his bond or in the records of the board. The most direct and businesslike way to handle the school funds would be to elect the bank making the best bid for the funds to the position of treasurer. It would also no doubt be the most economical.

The Young Men's Christian Association of Connellsville starts the winter term with twenty students enrolled in its mining class. There is a constant demand for good mine and fire bosses in the Connellsville region and out of it, and many outside operators come here for these inside employes. Connellsville has given the coke region its name, and representatives of other regions naturally come here for information, advice and assistance. We should try to be prepared to meet such requests. The Young Men's Christian Association management is doing its share of this good work.

The price of Greene county coal is even stiffer than the price of Connellsville coke.

THE SCHOOL SURVEY.

It is announced that the Municipal League's investigation of the school expenditures of the last year will not be an audit but a survey, which we take it means an analysis of the expenditures with a view to advising with the school authorities how they may be curtailed or spent with better results.

The greatest economy consistent with the highest efficiency is probably the rule which the Uplifters desire to impress upon the minds of the school directors. This is an excellent rule in all public administration, but in applying it one must distinguish between theory and practise.

Reformers are too often theorists without experience in public administration and without practical knowledge of the circumstances. Their plans are made for ideal conditions, and when applied they do not fit.

However, theory and practise are very helpful to each other, and when the theory seems reasonable it is usually worth trying out. Perhaps the Municipal League can help the school directors to the ideal state of economy and efficiency.

With wonderful unanimity the Democratic Senate Committee and the Democratic House Committee announce that the Insidious Lobby first discovered by a Democratic President did actually exist at Washington, but the report does not mention the name of the chief lobbyist who has the privilege of the floors and carries the whip of patronage.

The high cost of living seems to run largely to meats. Why not become vegetarians?

The efforts of the Interstate Commerce Commission to improve the quality of American steel rails is commendable but not exclusive. The railroads themselves had the matter under consideration for some time, and have in some instances paid extra prices for better grades of rails. It is probable that the standard rail as determined by the commission's experts will be welcomed by the railroads, especially if its increased cost is provided for by increased freight rates.

The tariff on bananas is a blow at the Italian vote.

Rural free delivery depends entirely upon the manner in which rural roads are kept up, just as borough and city free delivery depends upon the condition of the sidewalks along the various routes. The Postoffice Department rightly concludes that people who are not progressive enough to keep up their roads and sidewalks have plenty of time to go to the postoffice and get their limited amount of mail matter.

The Movies get everything. Their latest acquisition is a mine fire. This film will no doubt make a triumphal tour of the Connellsville coke region. It ought to be instructive as well as interesting.

There is an analogy between the cases of Henry F. Barron and J. F. B. Rinehart. Both came to grief through over-strenuous indulgence in politics, but while Barron gave up Rinehart fought to the last ditch and is now free. Courage has saved many a day and some men.

The Connellsville Barbers Union will be heartily welcomed by the bearded public if its chief aim is the proficiency of the profession.

After being apprehended in many places, Walter Thomas turns up in Washington county, not very far away from the scene of the tragedy in which he is suspected of playing the criminal part. He denies the killing and explains his flight by saying that appearances were so much against him he feared to stay. Walter reasons well.

The Brownsville bridge is working energetically to establish a safe foundation against flood. This is only another application of the rule of Safety First.

Even in its dry moments the Yough river is not fordable with impunity. The old joke about piking it is not to be taken seriously.

Abe Martin

While th' season is well advanced it's not too late yit t' step on th' feet o' th' end seat hog.

A feller'll be praised for a yard full o' children an' criticised for ownin' a auto.

When you once get started it takes an awful strong wil power t' keep from runnin' th' scale on a rosstin' ear without stoppin'.

Who remembers th' ole days when you used t' set in th' parlor for two hours lookin' at a picture o' Pharaoh's Horses while your girl dressed?

Never tell a single woman sho don't look it.

Who ever called at a home where some member o' th' family didn' say: "Here take this chair, it's more comfortable."

Love is blind an' often tasteless.

Tell Binkey has joined th' Ford Club.

Is misery loves company some folks must be awful miserable.

I guess it's th' element o' chance that makes th' canteloupe so pop'lur. 'Th' feller that says, "I like succotash, but it don't like me" is on th' job.

When you see one close reefed girl you see 'em all.

The jury acquitted the Dunbar man who was accused of insuring his home for $1,000 and then burning it down. The jury probably wondered why a man would burn his own house if insured for no more than its value, or why an insurance company would permit over-insurance to an extent that would make it profitable for the insured to commit the crime of arson. In any event, the jury rightfully concluded that there couldn't have been very much profit in $1,000 insurance. The house must have been worth something.

Checks that come back to the drawer for payment usually bring a great deal of trouble with them.

The county fair is in full swing with a full attendance. With its infinite variety it is one of the institutions which age cannot wither nor custom stale. The fat stock and the fast horses will never cease to be an attraction, even though people come miles in automobiles to see them.

Some Somerset mining towns are progressive, but they are not necessarily Bull Moose.

The practical jokes of Fayette City roisterers are gorious enough to merit the attention of the public peace officers. Some jokes are little less than criminal assaults.

The Fayette county Prohibition hat is in the ring.

North Union township teachers are preparing to have a beauty contest. It is to be hoped that the three members of the jury are insured.

Dressmakers from all parts of the country are in Chicago this week attending the annual fashion show. Connellsville's Style Show will be better than this affair, because the Chicago styles are only tentative while those to be exhibited in Connellsville will be the real thing.

The Motorman.

By GEORGE FITCH,
Author of "At Good Old Siwash."

The motorman is the sad individual who occupies a few cubic inches of space among the smokers in the front vestibule of our street cars and propels said cars by grinding a brass handle around and around.

The motorman's sadness is not natural but is produced by artificial means. When he wakes in the morning he is happy and sings a merry roundelay as he grabs the controller and grinds out electricity like a housewife grinding coffee. But after he has waited a minute for a lady with four bundles who is trying to get in at the wrong door; and has been laid out on the switch by another car and has rung 189 times for a coal wagon to get off the track ahead; and has permanently disabled himself trying to stop in order to save an automobile which is backing the wrong way, and has been asked by the dispatcher if he thinks he is running a hearse instead of a street car, he becomes morose and gloomy and wishes that the world were smaller in order that he might kick it to Jericho with one well directed blow.

The motorman has to run his car down a narrow track in the middle of the street and miss everything upon it. When we consider how few automobiles can go through a city street without butting something far into space we cannot wonder that the motorman regards his job with gloom.

However, the motorman is not profane. He might be if he had a better education. But it would take a long and careful course of preparation to acquire a vocabulary to do justice to his job.

The motorman is not always religious by nature but if it could be proven to him that Heaven was a place in which he could run a street car as he pleased and bump truck drivers into oblivion without objection from anyone, he would become almost inconceivably devout.

It takes about a month to learn to become a fair motorman. But it takes several years to produce a good pair of motorman's lungs. The motorman must be able to exist on pure tobacco smoke unadulterated with air. He cannot smoke while

"Asked by the dispatcher if he thinks he is running a hearse instead of a street car."

on duty from ten to twenty men crowd into his compartment each morning and evening and smoke for him. When a motorman has been off duty a few days he gets so homesick that he has to go into an airtight closet and burn an old rubber overshoe for relief.

Motormen do not often become great but we should give them credit for not indulging in homicide in its most deleterious form.

Senator Penrose will resume his Pennsylvania campaigning now that the Tariff bill has been disposed of and he has some liberty of action. He will probably tell the people something about the Tariff bill as he gobs along. Nobody is more competent to discuss it intelligently, not even its Democratic framers.

Hymen seems to have a big branch office in Somerset county.

Provisional President Huerta of Mexico is reported to be buying space in the Paris newspapers. Huerta has some bonds to sell and his press agent is going to sell them.

Passenger trains are not entirely safe, but freight trains are no improvement.

A dollar a night is poor pay for burgling. A fellow can make more money at most honest occupations, and not be under the troublesome necessity of continually dodging the cop.

West Penn extensions go right forward. There's nothing the matter with the West Penn. It's all right.

The steel trade is hoping against the blighting influences of Free Trade, and the Connellsville coke trade is joining heartily in the hope. Plenty of hope and a like measure of confidence will help the situation materially.

There are too many passenger trains leaving the tracks in this perfectly good summer weather. The public is apt to wonder what the winter will be.

It is the inherent right of the House to originate revenue bills, but the Senate has amended the Democratic Tariff bill almost out of semblance probably on the ground that it isn't a revenue bill.

Through sleepers to Havana will make traveling to Cuban parts quite de luxe.

Senator Penrose is accused of being a political boss, and he has certainly been a political leader, but recent events in the Senate indicate quite clearly that he is also some statesman.

The gas man is chirking up.

When the weather man invents a machine to wring out the atmosphere, citizens of the smoke-laden Connellsville coke region will rise up and call him blessed.

The Connellsville Division of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad is growing in improvement as it grows in importance.

If Uniontown doesn't have a Herald Square it will not be the Uniontown Herald's fault.

Fishermen grumble because their complaints to the state authorities concerning the emptying of tannic acid into the waters of the Youghiogheny river have been ignored. It is not, of course, polite on the part of the authorities to neglect or refuse to make proper acknowledgement of the matter, but it might be observed in passing that it would be small use to close the tanneries so long as the coal mines are allowed to drain their sulphur water into the same stream.

The solution of New York's latest murder mystery is quite as revolting as the crime.

The Young Men's Christian Association bean suppers are growing immensely in popularity, and there's a good reason for it. The beans are good.

It was a black day for the New York poor when Big Tim Sullivan died.

The B. & O. experience meeting at Deer Park is morally certain to create an active evolution of ideas which cannot but prove profitable to the company and its patrons.

There is not much incentive to bribery under the new election law. Assistance can only be given in rare cases. There is no means of knowing whether the bribed voter stays bought.

The Perry centennial is great, but wait for the Perryopolis centennial.

The new Minaret gown will not appeal to averdupois.

The bars are closed on primary day. Voting is a sober business.

Harry Thaw is fast becoming the football of the courts and the meal ticket of the lawyers.

Rattlesnake farms will not be popular among the people in the vicinity unless placed under strict regulation. The rattlesnake is an undesirable neighbor.

A Uniontown candidate for council gave an ox roast to his constituents. In Washington he would be classed with the Insidious Lobby.

The B. & O. promotions indicate that the company has supplemented the rule of Safety First with another known as Efficiency First.

The lunatics who go about the country smashing straw hats are being taken to the captain's office to settle. The hat smasher ought to get a smash in the face. If peg-top trousers rolled up to the knees, low-cut shoes and loud socks can be worn all winter, why not the straw hat?

It wasn't altogether a dry primary.

The Currency bill rolls through the House almost as smoothly as the Tariff bill did. Woody is a great pusher. The Samson strength of official patronage is his.

Lafollette is hopeless. After his grandstand play on the Tariff bill he voted for it. If there is any side he hasn't been on, he will get there in due time. The statesman who plays to every party and every faction gets the support of none.

The assassin's bullet proved the undoing of Mayor Gaynor at last.

Looking Backward.

News of the Past Condensed from the Files of The Courier.

SEPTEMBER 14, 1883.

The H. C. Frick Coke Company announces a meeting of the stockholders to be held at Broad Ford, November 7, for the purpose of voting on a proposed increase of its capital stock from $2,000,000 to $3,000,000.

The new Pennsylvania checkweighman law took effect September 1.

Connellsville coke quoted at $5.15 @5.20, Chicago.

Colorado coke costs $4 and sells $4.80 at ovens. State has two plants aggregating 300 ovens.

The old stone mansion of Joseph Gregg, on Water street, sold to John Mahon for $2,000.

Frost declared to be the heaviest for this time of the year in the recollection of the oldest inhabitants.

Squire Page kills biggest copperhead snake of season while returning from a business trip over the mountain.

Joseph Foster, a blacksmith for the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, has his eye seriously injured by a piece of flying steel.

Because of his failing health, Dr. S. C. Bosley sells out his practice to Dr. Elmer J. White, of Lawrence county.

Work on the 200 new ovens at Leisenring No. 2 being pushed forward rapidly by Superintendent Taggart. One hundred new ovens to be added to the Clarissa plant.

SEPTEMBER 15, 1893.

The Connellsville coke trade greatly depressed. Of 17,390 ovens in region only 3,581 are in operation, 13,809 being idle. Production was only 32,500 tons and shipments 1,768 cars. Trade thought to have touched bottom. Prices: Furnace, $1.35; Foundry, $1.50; Crushed, $1.75.

Martin Coke Company has completed its new crusher at Laughead works, just south of Uniontown. Crusher has capacity of 100 tons per day. Third crusher in region. Others are Frick crushers at Valley and Standard.

Coke trade of Flat Top region very dat. Illinois Steel Company, which contracted for 240,000 tons annually, has stopped shipments, and there is no market for product.

Baptist churches of Connellsville decide to unite, after ten years of strife and bitterness. Reunion effected through efforts of Rev. J. A. Maxwell, pastor of the First Baptist Church.

John Much, a Hungarian who was supposed to have been murdered at Leisenring No. 2 during the coke strike of 1892, bobs up serenely and draws his money from J. S. McCaleb's foreign exchange.

Valuable deposit of incombustible clay discovered by J. S. McCaleb on his farm west of New Haven. Analysis proves very favorable.

Inhuman mother of John Kurts, a Hungarian boy of Vanderbilt, breaks his arm and pulls end of bone out with her teeth.

Lem Kendall confesses to stealing a horse from William Dennis of Leisenring No. 2, and is sent to jail.

Miners in Pittsburg district kick at proposed reduction of their wages from 79 to 74 cents a ton and 4,000 men are estimated to have gone on strike.

Homestead awards contract for street and sewer improvemnets with the provision that only American citizens should be employed on the job.

Rev. A. E. Fletcher named as pastor of the Methodist Protestant Church of Connellsville.

SEPTEMBER 14, 1903.

The coke production of the Connellsville regions for the week ending, September 12, was 306,075 tons and the shipments 12,910 cars. Of the 27,400 ovens, 25,571 are active and 1,916 idle. Considerable stock is reported on yards, but this is diminishing with better demand. Prices are: Furnace, $2.25@2.50 ovens; Foundry, $3.00 ovens. West Virginia furnace cokes are quoted at $1.75@2.25, and foundry coke at $2.75@3.25 ovens.

Old folks' meeting under auspices of Epworth League of Methodist Episcopal Church, attended by many aged men and women.

Miss Anna Day, librarian of Carnegie Free Library, addresses Connellsville public school teachers and explains how the Library can be made an aid to school work.

Gray haired veterans and their sons mingle at big reunion at Smithton.

Chief Engineer J. M. Graham and Engineer of Construction A. M. Kinsman, of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, declare in favor of stone bridges, stating that they are cheaper in the long run than those of steel or wood.

Anthony King, of Fort Orun, N. J., returns to Connellsville as assistant to General Foreman P. J. Harrigan of the Baltimore & Ohio shops.

Scottdale people alarmed by rumors of smallpox epidemic following illness of William Berry.

Tri-State Telephone Company begins construction of trunk line between Scottdale and Uniontown.

Stephen Kaver, a 10-year-old school boy, arrested for stealing a locomotive from the yards of the Pittsburg & Lake Erie railroad at Homestead.

Body of Unknown Man Identified.

The body of the man killed Saturday at Layton by a Pittsburg & Lake Erie train has been identified as that of Andrew Sause of Youngstown, O. The identification was made by L. L. Parkhill, son of Funeral Director Parkhill, who is an extra Pittsburg & Lake Erie flagman. While in Youngstown yesterday Mr. Parkhill went to the Youngstown Sheet & Tube Works, where Sause was employed. He learned that Sause left a wife and two children.

New Steam Crane on B. & O.

A 120-ton steam crane has been added to the equipment of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad to be used in removing obstructions from tracks. Equipped with a boiler and engine, the crane generates its power for handling the largest types of cars and locomotives. Several of these machines are already in use by the Baltimore & Ohio, but are smaller. The horsepower capacity has increased with the installment of larger equipment.

BONES OF EXTINCT ANIMALS FOUND AT CUMBERLAND

Recent Discoveries Made There Prove to be of Great Value.

100 SPECIMENS ARE SECURED

A Fossil of Exceeding Rarity is That of An Antelope Belonging to a Family Now Existing Only in South Africa.

Recent discoveries of pre-historic mammal remains in cave deposits near the little village of Corriganville, just four miles from Cumberland, on the new Connellsville extension of the Western Maryland railroad, have attracted the interest of scientists the country over, for they believe that these discoveries will be the means of giving to science greater knowledge of Pleistocene mammalian life in the eastern section of the United States.

Although not generally known, scientists who collect data relative to animals which existed 100,000 years ago, or longer, have little or no information at hand to prove, beyond doubt, the extent of the existence of rare mammalian animal life in eastern North America, and they are ever seeking for more light on a subject which they admit is somewhat involved in security.

Since the remains of these extinct animals were discovered by workmen employed in making excavations on the Western Maryland's new extension some months ago, Prof. J. W. Gidley of the Smithsonian Institute, has spent much time in examining the bones and, as a result, it has become known that the specimens are the remains of rare extinct animals.

One of these specimens happens to be that of the extinct species of Eland, or antelope, closely related to those now living only in Africa. This is a most important discovery, since no close relatives of this great antelope have heretofore been found in America.

Professor Gidley has just issued an interesting report relating to the discoveries on the new line of the Western Maryland railway, and says that in the cave at Corriganville more than 100 specimens of pre-historic animals were secured. These represent 22 recognizable genera, including one genus now exclusively African, and at least 20 species, most of which are apparently extinct, or are now to be found in remote localities, including jaws of dogs, wolves, foxes, etc.

Professor Gidley states that his work near Cumberland has added additional forms to his already important list, and that they will prove valuable to the musuem, and will aid those who are endeavoring to give to the world a more thorough knowledge of animal life thousands of years ago.

Referring to the remains of the antelope which were removed from the cave, Professor Gidley says that the exceeding rarity in American deposits of any fossil of Old World antelopes makes the more startling and unlooked-for this appearance in Pleistocene deposits of the Eastern United States of the remains of an antelope apparently not generically distinguished from the Eland, now living only in Africa, south of the Great Sahara Desert.

P. R R. ANNUAL INSPECTION

Is Now Being Carried on by a Force of Three Hundred Men.

Annual inspection of the Pennsylvania railroad is now on. The inspection of the bridges on the Middle Division and branches was completed Saturday. It is customary for the maintenance of way officials to make a preliminary inspection of bridges, tracks, tunnels and signals prior to the annual trip of all the officials in order to compile statements showing and recommending improvements.

The inspection now being made is under the supervision of Luther R. Zollinger, chief engineer of maintenance of way. Preparations for the annual inspection in October of roadway by the officials are being made over the system.

As an incentive to greater activity on the party of minor officials and their foremen, the Pennsylvania offers prizes for the best surfacing of track on the various sub-divisions. These prizes vary from $50 to the foremen to $1,200 to the supervisor making the best showing on his division. The inspection force numbers 300.

HAVE BOUGHT A LAUNDRY

Ross S. Matthews and Others Will Now Install New Machinery.

By a deal, consummated on Monday, a number of local men, headed by Attorney Ross S. Matthews, purchased the Connellsville Steam Laundry Company, located at the corner of Crawford avenue and Race street. The consideration was not made public. The new owners took possession immediately. The present manager, F. O. Goodwin, has been retained by the new owners, and will continue in charge.

Plans are under consideration for the installation of a number of new model laundry machines, as well as for extensive improvements to the buildings, it being the intention of the new management to make the plant and equipment modern and efficient in the highest degree.

The deal through which this property changes ownership is one of the biggest in local business circles for some time.

An Alleged Attempt at Suicide.

Miss Edith K. Cohen, daughter of Louis Cohen, of Greensburg, made an alleged attempt at suicide last evening by drinking carbolic acid. She was removed to the Westmoreland Hospital. Her condition is said to be critical.

KURTZ PROVED A BIG WINNER FOR MAYORALTY

Got 468 Votes Against 157 for Bishop and 36 for George.

THERE WAS SMALL VOTE OUT

No Sore Places as Result of the Election, as Local Harmony is Quite Likely to Prevail All Around, in November.

The local election is over and the returns show that J. Fred Kurtz carried off the Republican nomination for mayor of Connellsville by an overwhelming majority over W. C. Bishop and A. J. George. As the returns trooped in, after the various boards had "run off" the mayoralty ballots, it was evident that Kurtz was leading by a large majority, and the Bishop followers early conceded that their man was not running well. The totaled figures from the posted returns show the result as follows:

Kurtz	468
Bishop	157
George	36

This victory for Mr. Kurtz was naturally a source of much gratification, and yesterday he expressed his pleasure in response to many congratulations, at the same time declaring his belief that the ticket is a strong one, and should come out victorious at the election in November.

The mayoralty fight was a hot one, but it was characterized by no unfair or underhand methods by any candidates. The defeated candidates took their medicine with good grace, and during the early evening, when it was evident that he was out of the running, Billy Bishop expressed his intention of jumping in and working for the successful ones with the same vigor that had characterized his own campaign. Bishop had so declared himself before the primaries, and he did not hesitate to stick by that declaration when it was seen that he was defeated. A. J. George also declared himself along the same lines when seen this morning.

Twelve Democrats not satisfied with their party candidate for Mayor scratched Mr. Marietta's name off the ballot in the Fifth ward, and substituted that of Fred Kurtz before casting their votes. This indicates quite a bunch of Democratic ballots for Kurtz in November.

Four of the Republican nominees, Kurtz, Wright, Gans and Hooper, have received the endorsement of the Washington party.

The vote cast in Connellsville was about 50 per cent of the vote here in November, 1912, when Taft and Wilson together received 1,022 votes and Roosevelt 244, or total of 1,276.

"Billy" Bishop desires to say through the columns of The Courier that he accepts the verdict of Tuesday's primary with all the grace of a good Republican. He is pleased with his vote and appreciates his many friends. "Tell them," he said, "that there isn't a sore spot on me. I am for the Republican ticket from top to bottom, and will do my share to elect it in November. That's the kind of a Republican I am."

Rockwell Marietta is the Democratic nominee for mayor. Marietta had no opposition. He received 265 votes.

THE COLD WATER FOLKS

Their Meeting Last Night at the Home of David P. Patterson.

J. M. Sembower, president of the Connellsville Prohibition Alliance, presided at the September meeting, Monday at the residence of David P. Patterson on Morton avenue. Rev. A. R. Seaman, of South Connellsville, opened the meeting with prayer. Secretary Dr. W. H. Gladden's minutes of the August meeting were approved. T. Scott Dunn reported for the nominating committee that an aggressive campaign is being planned for these candidates: Mayor, T. Scott Dunn; controller, Harry L. Krepps; school director, George C. Holcomb and D. K. Artman; city councilman, J. M. Sembower, C. W. Beitler, Robert E. Cairns and John Curry, Sr.; poor director, John H. Junk, of Franklin township and J. T. Eastburn of Uniontown; jury commissioner, J. C. McClain of Point Marion; state committeeman, T. Scott Dunn of Connellsville, and H. L. Robinson of Uniontown; Superior Court Judge, Herbert T. Ames, president of the Lycoming County Bar Association.

Rev. R. E. Cairns moved that the large window cards of the nominee for mayor, T. Scott Dunn, be printed. President Sembower appointed D. K. Artman and Ernest Ellison Smith to carry out the resolution.

The recent county conference at Uniontown was fully reported by Rev. R. E. Cairns and by Ernest Allison Smith of Uniontown, county organizer. Mr. Smith also read the paper he prepared for that occasion, his subject being "Literature and Our Party Press." His closing sentence follows: "Fellow citizens, it was worth Washington's while to make the flag; it was worth Lincoln's while to save the flag; it is worth our while to redeem the flag."

After songs, with Russell Engleke at the piano, it was voted to hold the October meeting with Dr. W. H. Gladden, 15 South Eight street, West Side, on Tuesday, October 14.

Civil Service Examination.

A civil service examination for clerk-carriers will be held at the Connellsville postoffice on September 27. Candidates will be examined in the common school branches. Applicants must be over 18 years of age.

The Poor Directorship.

The candidates for poor house director who are leading in the contest are George M. Wrightor of Vanderbilt, Austin L. Kerr of Dunbar, and [illegible] of Connellsville, with Rutledge [illegible]

TULSA TO BE LIGHTED AS NO OTHER CITY EVER WAS

Fifteen Million Feet Gas Consumption Nightly as a Public Display During October Exposition.

TULSA, Oklahoma, Sept. 16.—On October 22, when the eighth International Dry-Farming Congress and Exposition opens, to run until November 1, Tulsa will be lighted at night as no other city in the world has ever been lighted before. Fifteen million cubic feet of natural gas will be burned nightly for illumination. This light during the exposition will be a veritable pillar of flame, fed from a huge natural gas well. The gas is now being piped into the center of the exposition grounds. For a radius of 200 yards or more about the well the place will be roped off, to prevent crowds from getting too near the flame. The gas will be "turned loose" and lighted by electricity on the opening night. It is estimated that the flame will shoot 600 feet into the air. Because of the force of the flow there will be no flame 160 feet from the ground. Above that height the flame will rise 500 feet and be 100 feet thick. Shadows will be cast of objects five miles away, and the flame will be visible for 100 miles.

Natural gas is very cheap in Oklahoma. Some estimate of the amount that will be burned nightly can be had when it is realized that the average home in Oklahoma uses but a few cubic feet an hour to light all rooms. The great "pillar of flame" light will consume 15,000,000 cubic feet each night.

The International Dry-Farming Congress and Exposition is a world-wide organization with the purpose of spreading instruction to farmers in localities subject to very light and irregular rainfall. It has officers in 19 nations and members in 50. More than a score of nations are expected to be represented at the coming congress. Congress will be represented by a large delegation.

RACES AT CUMBERLAND

Ten Thousand Dollars as Prizes in the Coming Track Events There.

CUMBERLAND, Md., Sept. 16.—Races that will attract some of the finest and fastest horses on the Eastern circuits will be held September 30, October 1, 2 and 3, at the Tri-State track, in this city, under the auspices of the Cumberland Fair and Agricultural Association. Horses from the Erie and Pennsylvania short-trip circuit, enroute to the York, Hagerstown and Frederick fairs, will come here at the conclusion of the Altoona fair, and participate on the local track.

Over $10,000 in purses will be hung up for the different harness and running contests.

The racing card will contain 2.25, 2.30, 2.18 and 2.15 pacing heats, and 2.25, 2.30, 2.15 and 2.10 trotting races and a free-for-all race.

The program of running races, is 1½, 1 mile, ¾ and ¾ of a mile dashes. There will be arranged a mixed card of pacing, trotting and running races each day.

An additional cash prize will be paid for the horse that lowers the track record of 2.08.

Besides the horse races there will be motorcycle races, in which contestants from Baltimore and Washington will enter.

PUT OFF FOR A WEEK

B. & O. Officers Not to Meet Until September 22nd.

BALTIMORE, Sept 16.—The staff meeting of officials of all lines of the Baltimore & Ohio system, which was to have been held at Deer Park, Md., Tuesday and Wednesday of this week, has been postponed until next Monday and Tuesday, September 22nd and 23rd, on account of business appointments which will prevent President Willard from being present before that time.

Mr. Willard is desirous of attending, and after a conference today with Vice President Thompson, head of the operating department of the system, it was decided to hold the meeting a week later. Notification of the change was communicated to the railroad men who are to attend, requesting them to be at Deer Park next Monday.

POISONED PEARS.

Mrs. S. C. Bosley of Coalbrook Made Very Ill Saturday Night.

After eating pears purchased Saturday evening at a Connellsville fruit stand, Mrs. S. C. Bosley of Coalbrook, was taken suddenly ill soon afterwards, and Saturday night and Sunday her condition was serious. All the symptoms of arsenic poisoning were present. Dr. G. H. Edmunds, who was summoned, believes that the poison in spraying mixtures clings to the blossom end of the fruit, and is readily taken into the system unless the fruit is well washed off.

Mrs. Bosley is the fourth person poisoned from eating pears in two weeks. She is now considered out of danger.

Old Bridge Abutment Gives Way.

The old railroad bridge abutment, near the foot of Sixth street, West Side, was undermined and fell into the workings of the Lang Coal & Sand Company, on Monday afternoon. No serious inconvenience was caused, but it will take about two weeks to remove the debris. This abutment was erected in 1874 by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company for a proposed bridge over the Yough at that point. Objection was made by the Baltimore & Ohio line and by the town officials, and the route was abandoned. Later the present route of the Pennsylvania through town was taken up.

Somerset County Court News.

SOMERSET, Sept. 17.—Petitions for divorces have recently been filed in court as follows: Harvey F. Dunmeyer against Josephine H. Dunmeyer; Ephraim L. Countryman against Lydia Margaret Countryman, and Mabel Putnam against Robert N. Putnam.

Scottdale Pair Marry.

James O. Kuhn and Marie Stauffer, both of Scottdale, were married Monday, August 4, in Cumberland, by Rev. Eugene Richardson, of the United Brethren Church.

MAX HANNAN WAS NAMED FOR BURGESS IN UNIONTOWN

Got Eight Majority Over Fee for Republican Nomination.

CRAMER FOR TAX COLLECTOR

Squire Bierer Knocked Out for Renomination by John C. Reisinger; The Signs are Promising for a Very Lively Scrap in November.

UNIONTOWN, Sept. 17.—Max Hannan was nominated for burgess of Uniontown, yesterday, over Charles M. Fee, Sr., by a majority of eight votes. R. D. Warman was nominated for burgess on the Democratic ticket by a good plurality. Clyde B. Miller had no opposition on the Bull Moose ticket. The fight for burgess therefore may or may not be between Hannan, Warman and Miller at the election on November 4. Other candidates are likely. And whether or no they materialize, there is certain now to be one of the liveliest mayoralty contests ever known in Uniontown.

Charles T. Cramer was nominated by the Republicans for tax collector over William T. Carroll and E. C. Cornish by a vote of 597 for Cramer, 364 for Carroll and 236 for Cornish. J. Searight Marshall was nominated by the Democrats over William M. Hinsey. The fight in November therefore, will be between Cramer, Marshall and D. L. Cowan, the latter having no opposition on the Bull Moose ticket.

John C. Reisinger was nominated by the Republicans for Justice of the Peace over Captain D. M. Bierer by a heavy plurality. Israel L. Kobacker was nominated on the Bull Moose ticket without opposition. Arthur K. Knotts was nominated by the Democrats over David E. Bane.

For school director the Republican nominees are Dr. A. S. Hagan and John T. Byers. The probable Democratic nominees are Attorneys R. W. Dawson and W. C. McKean.

In the First ward the winners for council on the Republican ticket are W. D. Christ and J. A. Strickler, the latter having defeated Charles P. Chick by 13 votes. The Democratic nominees are J. C. Core and A. W. Craig, each polling 70 votes.

In the Second ward, H. A. Gorley for council unopposed, polled 149 Republican votes while Foster, Democrat, unopposed, polled 69.

In the Third ward, I. G. Roby, Republican, for council, unopposed, polled 119 votes, while Harrold L. Robinson got the Democratic nomination, unopposed, with 85 votes.

There was a hot fight for council in the Fourth ward between John Magie and John West, on the Republican ticket, Magie losing out by six votes. He got 72 to West's 78. Marvis Keener is the Democratic nominee with 27 votes.

In the Fifth ward George Hibbs won out on the Republican ticket over William Miller by a vote of 119 to 44. Robert Hogsett is the Democratic nominee with 51.

Charles Randall was the unopposed candidate for council on the Republican ticket in the Sixth and John Gibson the unopposed Democratic candidate.

In the Seventh ward C. C. Altman, Republican, unopposed, got 118 votes, and W. H. Graham, Democrat, unopposed, got 52.

In the Eighth ward Theophilus Bowie was nominated over W. C. Hall by a vote of 60 to 50 on the Republican ticket and on the Democratic ticket Walter Bierer got 47 votes to D. A. Griffith's 28.

STEEL COACHES.

Rapidly Supplanting Wooden Ones on the Pennsylvania Railroad.

The Pennsylvania railroad, always progressive, has been anticipating the objection to wooden passenger coaches since 1906, and as a result it has in service today over 50% of the steel passenger coaches of the country. In this liberal percentage the Connellsville coke region public shares. At least one-half of the passenger coaches in use on the Southwest Pennsylvania and the Monongahela divisions are of modern steel construction and equipment. The company is increasing its steel coaches as rapidly as circumstances will permit, and expects in the near future to entirely eliminate the wooden passenger coach from Pennsylvania railroad service.

BOX FACTORY REMOVAL.

Taken Over by Pittsburgers and Transferred to Meyersdale.

MEYERSDALE, Sept. 15.—The box making factory operated for several years by Henry Saylor, near his home in Summit township, was taken over yesterday by Pittsburg parties and will be moved to Meyersdale and installed in the building formerly used by R. Reich & Son, furniture manufacturers.

The factory will be enlarged and modernized by the addition of late types of machinery. When completed it will give employment to quite a number of boys and girls, there being a lively demand for its products.

Doctors Meet at Rosedale Farm.

All members but one attended the regular meeting of the Yough Medico Social Club at which Dr. E. B. Edie was host on Thursday at Rosedale Farm, Pennsville, the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Lyon. The guests were Dr. H. E. Hall of Vanderbilt and Dr. E. W. Douglass of Connellsville. An instructive paper on "Longevity" by Dr. G. W. Gallagher was read. The paper was prepared by Dr. Gallagher for the August meeting and on being unable to read it on the night of that meeting it was held over until the September meeting. A general discussion followed. The sentiment of all the doctors was that by proper living our lives will be prolonged. The trip to and from the country was made in automobiles.

DEATHS AND FUNERALS.

Mrs. Catherine Herwick.

Mrs. Catherine McClay Herwick, 71 years and 10 months old, wife of Joseph Herwick, died Monday, of liver trouble at her home in Stewarton. She had been in good health up until two months ago. Funeral from the family residence, Wednesday afternoon at 1 o'clock. Interment in the Indian Creek Baptist Cemetery.

Mrs. Herwick was born in Springfield township and spent about 40 years of her life at Stewarton. She was a life long member of the Baptist Church, and was highly respected by her wide circle of friends. In addition to her husband, the following children survive: Mrs. Sarah Douglass, Warrensburg, Mo.; George E., McKeesport; Mrs. Charles F. Mitchell, Mrs. S. W. Strawn, Mrs. T. W. Wyman, Walker F. and Joseph C. Herwick of Connellsville; William T. Herwick of Stewarton; and Miss Lydia Hedwick at home. One sister, Mrs. Rose Snyder of Rockwood, also survives.

Mrs. Sarah Shupe.

Mrs. Sarah Shupe, 85 years old, died last week at her home at Mount Pleasant, following a three weeks' illness. Funeral from the family residence Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Mrs. Shupe was the widow of Daniel Shupe, and is survived by the following children: Mrs. William C. Mullen, Mrs. M. A. Kiefer, Uniontown; O. P. Shupe, H. J. Shupe, Mrs. G. C. Page and Mrs. Joseph Keller, Mount Pleasant; Mrs. Lucy Brier, Keota, Ia.; D. W. Shupe, Greensburg; S. R. Shupe, Ashland, O.

Mrs. Georgeanna Harshman.

Mrs. Georgeanna Harshman, 66 years old, one of the most widely known residents of South Connellsville, died Saturday, following a lingering illness. Funeral Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Rev. Wilbur Nelson, pastor of the First Baptist hurch officiated. Interment in Hill Grove cemetery. Mrs. Harshman was the wife of J. J. Harshman and had resided in South Connellsville for about 15 years. She leaves a large family of children.

William L. Hoover.

William L. Hoover, a prominent citizen of Garrett, Md., died Saturday after a lingering illness. For some time he had been in the Allegany Hospital, Cumberland, for treatment, and was discharged a week or ten days ago. He is survived by his widow and one daughter Mrs. W. L. Brant. Mrs. Carrie Bittner of Connellsville, niece of the deceased, and son Ralph, left this morning for Garrett to attend the funeral.

Mrs. Mary Moran.

Mrs. Mary Moran, 88 years old, died Thursday at the home of J. C. Moran in South Connellsville. The body will be shipped by Funeral Director J. L. Stader to the Visitation Convent at Parkersburg, W. Va., for interment.

Mrs. Moran was born in Mayo county, Ireland, and was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Kelly.

Diphtheria Proves Fatal.

Charles N. Shaw, three years old, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles N. Shaw, Sr., died yesterday at the family residence at Snydertown, following a week's illness of diphtheria. Interment private this afternoon in Hill Grove cemetery.

Sarah J. Craft.

Mrs. Sarah J. Craft who died recently in Mount Vernon, Ohio, was a daughter of ex-Sheriff George Craft of Fayette county, and a cousin of W. S. Craft, county treasurer. She had been a resident of Mount Vernon since 1860.

Elias Bowman Dies Suddenly.

Elias Bowman, 80 years old, died suddenly at the home of his sister, Mrs. M. H. Pratt, in Brownsville, Sunday. Mr. Bowman was born near Smithfield. He died while seated at the dining room table.

Mrs. Mary Cutorca.

Mrs. Mary A. Cutorca, 51 years old, died yesterday at her home at Juniata. Funeral Tuesday morning from Our Lady of Mount Carmel Italian Church. Interment in St. Joseph's cemetery.

Mrs. Jennie W. Markle.

Mrs. Jennie W. Markle, wife of O. P. Markle, a prominent real estate agent, of Uniontown, died Saturday afternoon following a lingering illness.

CLUBS BREAK UP HOME

Washington, Pa. Doctor So Alleges In Petition for Divorce.

By United Press.

WASHINGTON, Pa., Sept. 16.—Alleging that social clubs held greater attractions for his wife than their home did, Dr. Harry W. White filed today an application for decree of divorce.

The doctor and his wife, who was formerly Miss Bertha Haines, figured in a sensational high school romance and elopement 25 years ago. He declared she became active in social work eight months after their marriage, and neglected their home. He also alleges that she has become addicted to intoxicants, and has often subjected him to abuse, once driving him out of the house.

BARRED OUT.

The West Penn Traction Team Cannot Compete in Pittsburg.

E. T. Baer, secretary of the Y. M. C. A., received word today that the application of the West Penn Traction Company's first aid team, to enter into the contests to be held at Pittsburg on September 22, under the auspices of the United States Department of Mines, could not be granted, because of the fact that only mining first aid corps are allowed to compete. This is a source of disappointment to the West Penn boys, for they were anxious to have an opportunity to demonstrate their skill in this direction. But the rules declare specifically that only men engaged in mining shall be allowed to engage.

Cars Saturday from Calumet.

Announcement is made by the West Penn Trolley Company that cars will be run for the first time on Saturday over the new extension from Calumet to Mount Pleasant, another big section of the Latrobe-Hecla extension having been completed for service. Indications are that the remainder of the extension will be completed before cold weather sets in. The big West Penn cars will then be seen in Latrobe for the first time.

SOMERSET STOCK VALUES REMAIN UNDISTURBED

No Bad Effect Through Recent Failures of Prominent Business Men.

SALES AT 70% ABOVE PAR

Suits and Deals Which Sustain an Intimate Relationship to the Financial Operations of Harvey W. Berkeley, the Missing Lawyer.

SOMERSET, Sept. 16.—That recent failures of prominent Somerset business men, which in some cases resulted in criminal prosecutions, have not disturbed the county seat town's financial stability, was indicated today when stock of two of the town's banking institutions sold at 70 per cent above par, at public sale. Ten shares of the capital stock of the Farmers National Bank were sold to Miles A. Varner at $169, and 20 shares of the capital stock of the County Trust were bid in by Jacob B. Gerhard at $170. The stock was sold by the First National Bank, with which it had been placed some time ago as collateral security by John H. Seibert, who recently took advantage of the bankruptcy laws. Seibert was associated with the Berkebile Lumber Company, which was recently placed in the hands of a receiver.

Levi Deal of Grove City, Pa., today petitioned the Somerset court for a mandamus to compel Fred Rowe, president of the Erie Coal & Coke Company, to transfer to the plaintiff 130 shares of the capital stock of that company, which he purchased at public sale. The stock consists of $50 par shares and was sold at $66.

The sale was made by the Somerset Trust Company and the First National Bank of Somerset, where it had been put up as collateral security by Attorney Harvey M. Berkeley, who has disappeared from the county. It is claimed that Berkeley's tangled financial affairs were responsible for his absence, and that he issued fraudulent stock in the Somerset Telephone Company, of which he had been treasurer.

Rowe refused to transfer the stock, contending that Berkeley before fleeing the county had given an option to purchase the stock. Deal alleges that it was given as collateral prior to the option and for this reason the option is void. The 130 shares, added to Deal's present holdings of stock, would give him a controlling interest in the company.

The First National Bank of Salisbury, at public sale yesterday sold 107 shares of the preferred stock of the Somerset Telephone Company, $25 par, to Attorney Ernest O. Kooser, at $6.25. Attorney Harvey M. Berkeley had given the stock to the Salisbury institution as collateral security on a loan.

The low price at which the stock was sold was due to a notice read at the sale by Attorney Charles F. Uhl, Jr., counsel for the telephone company, in which it was stated that in 1906 the company redeemed all outstanding stock, and if there is yet any out it is fraudulent.

BUREAU OF MINES TITLE CLEAR

Title to Magee High School Site No Longer Clouded.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 4.—The last obstacle in the way of the exchange of properties and the establishment of the Bureau of Mines in Pittsburg was removed in an opinion of the Attorney General to the Secretary of the Interior yesterday. For a time the so-called "squatting" of the Pittsburg Junction railroad upon a strip of the Magee high school site threatened to defeat the change and prevent the passing of a good title to the National Government.

The Attorney General yesterday ordered changes in the deeds of exchange which will be made at once in Pittsburg and in the War Department, and the whole transaction consummated within a week or two.

Congressman Burke is assured that Congress will follow this with ample appropriations for new buildings and the most complete equipment of any bureau of mines in the world.

ARRIVALS FROM POLAND.

Camped for a While in Front of the Colonial National.

A party of new arrivals from Poland, bound for Scottdale, "camped out" on Pittsburg street, in front of the Colonial Bank, Monday night waiting for the car that was to take them over the last stage of their journey. Dressed in the picturesque garb of the old country, and perched upon their trunks and other pieces of baggage, they presented a striking appearance. Connellsville's imposing buildings, and the bustle and hustle of election eve, did not seem to awe them any, as they munched fruit and, foreigner-like, threw the remains on the pavement.

Quarterly M. E. Conference.

The Quarterly Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church was held in the church Monday night with a large attendance of trustees and officers. Dr. R. S. Ross, the district superintendent, presided. Reports from the various departments were received, showing the congregation to have enjoyed a prosperous year, financially in advance of some other years; and that 75 new members joined the church. Dr. R. C. Wolf was extended an invitation to return for another year.

Got Five Years in All.

W. C. Plowder got four years in the penitentiary Friday morning at Uniontown for robbery in Fayette City, and an additional year for lugging a gun around with him.

Victimized His Own People.

John Kubie, said to be of Connellsville, is in jail in Uniontown on the charge of conspiring with other men of his nationality to fleece his own countrymen.

PITTSBURG BIG CONSUMER OF ITS FUEL PRODUCTS

Its Mills and Furnaces Used Last Year 17,000,000 Tons of Coal and 5,000,000 Tons of Coke.

The activity in the Pittsburg coal trade is specially noted by the monthly circular of the Peoples Bank, which says the total production and shipments of this district will establish a new high record for the quarter ending with this month. What is of equal importance is the more satisfactory margin of profits and the industry as a whole is in a healthy and prosperous condition. In this connection it is appropriate to refer to the recent report of the United States Geological Survey for 1912, which shows the paramount importance of the Pittsburg district in this industry. According to this authority this district last year consumed 17,721,783 tons of coal and about 5,000,000 tons of coke, or a total of more than 22,700,000 short tons, which ranks the district as the leading fuel consumer in the United States. In addition, many million cubic feet of natural gas was consumed for both domestic and manufacturing purposes.

Shipments of coal from the district to points west of Pittsburg were 24,086,001 tons by rail and 1,998,350 tons by water. Shipments from the Pittsburg district to eastern points, all rail, which do not go through the city, amounted to 15,349,045 tons. Exclusive of the coke consumed by Pittsburg mills and furnaces, the district shipped nearly 5,000,000 tons to eastern and western consumers outside the district. With one-sixth the population of Greater New York, the consumption of fuel in Pittsburg was 10 per cent larger than that of all the boroghs which form the country's chief metropolis. This city, in fact, originates and handles a greater tonnage than any other district in the world and the forgoing figures indicate one of the important contributions to the total.

35 ELECTRIC COMPANIES CHARTERED TO OPERATE

Ington, Greene and Somerset Counties.

Charters for 35 electric companies to operate in Washington, Greene, Somerset and Armstrong counties, have been issued.

The incorporation of 29 of these companies outside of Somerset county are C. G. Hammer, E. B. Beach and J. McC. Reed, Pittsburg; H. B. Smith, Edgewood, and R. C. Lightcap, Mt. Oliver. The capital of each company is $5,000 and the office will be in Pittsburg. The companies are named for the districts in which they are to operate as follows: Armstrong county, Wickboro, West Kittaning, Parker's Landing, Applewood, Washington, Perry, Madison, North Buffalo, Hovey, East Franklin, Boggs and Brady's Bend townships; Washington county, Marianna, Ellsworth, Long Branch, Beallsville, Claysville, Colcburg, Deemston, Clarksburg, Cross Creek, East Finley, West Finley, Jefferson, Independence, Hopewell and Hanover townships, and Jefferson borough in Greene county.

The six electric companies chartered for Somerset county are incorporated by H. H. Weaver, P. J. Morrissey and W. A. Rieber of Johnstown, the capital of each company being $5,000 and the office at Johnstown. The companies were named for the following districts in Somerset county, in which they will operate as follows: Summit, Milford, Lincoln, Elklick, Black and Brothersvalley townships.

The incorporators represent larger interests. The West Penn would be a good guess for all of them.

DEEPER AND WIDER CANAL

Public Men Ascertaining Needs of Philadelphia and Baltimore.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 17.—On a practical demonstration tour, to illustrate the needs for a deeper and wider canal between this city and Baltimore, more than five hundred business men headed by Representative J. Hampton Moore, left here today for Lorewood Grove, Del., where delegations from other eastern cities will gather. The purpose of the meeting is to focus attention on the importance of having the federal government purchase and widen the present Chesapeake & Delaware canal, to bring into closer and cheaper business communication Philadelphia, Wilmington, Trenton, Baltimore and Washington and other intermediary cities. The present waterway is only nine feet deep and twenty-four feet wide. It is proposed to have it widened to 90 feet, and its depth increased to 12 feet.

On arriving at Lorewood Grove this afternoon the local delegation met the Baltimore contingent, headed by Mayor Preston and Governor Miller of Delaware and his staff. Besides delegations from several cities, members of the Congressional River and Harbors Committee, members of the Atlantic Deep Waterways Association, and the Commercial Exchange representatives will attend.

A demonstration was given by barges and tows passing through the locks. Representative Moore declared that the value of the canal and its treatment as a free and open commercial highway connecting the Delaware river and points north and the Chesapeake Bay and points south will be fully demonstrated.

Kiernan's Somerset County Vote.

SOMERSET, Sept. 17.—About 3,300 votes seem to have been cast in this county. Kiernan for superior court judge received about 3,000 votes and Kephart from two to three hundred. For poor director, Snyder leads in 24 out of 56 districts by 336. The Washington party vote in these 24 districts was 209.

Banns Published.

Banns were published Sunday morning at St. John's Roman Catholic Church, Scottdale, for the marriage of Joseph M. Doorley and Miss Margaret O'Connor, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. J. O'Connor. Mr. Doorley is a well known business man of Scottdale.

Fayette County Farmers to Meet.

The regular meeting of the Union Farmers' Club of Fayette County will be held Saturday at the home of S. W. Dunn near Vanderbilt. "Recreations" will be discussed.

TWENTY ENROLL IN MINING CLASS AT Y. M. C. A.

Young Men Eagerly Respond to Baer's Invitation to Join.

PROF. ZIMMERMAN TO TEACH

University of Pittsburg Instructor Will Have Charge of Winter Work of Educating Mining Men at the Association Rooms; Tuition Fee Is $1.

Twenty students for the Young Men's Christian Association-Pitt University mining class already assured, without any solicitation whatever, makes it certain that the number required by the university in order to secure the services of Professor Zimmerman will be enrolled before October 1, when the class will be organized.

The eagerness with which the young mining men have responded to the published invitation to enroll in this class is probably due to the excellent showing made by members of the class in the last state examinations. Out of a class of thirteen who attended the majority of the sessions of the class last winter, nine tried the state examinations for fireboss or assistant mine foreman, seven of these passing, and one other coming within one point of the passing point.

Professor Zimmerman will arrive this morning in the Connellsville coke region, and in company with Secretary Baer, will visit Dunbar at the noon hour, Phillips in the afternoon, and Juniata in the evening.

It is expected that with the larger enrollment the tuition fee of $1.00 per month will also cover the cost of the books used. The course will cover the work of fireboss, assistant mine foreman, and later in the winter that of mine foreman. This class is open to all young mining men who care to enter it, the expense being jointly borne by the Y. M. C. A. Pitt University and the students.

A feature not included in last year's work which is planned for this year will be a series of quarterly mining institutes, at which questions of special interest will be discussed by experts in mining. These institutes will be arranged by the class.

THE COAL PRODUCTION OF ALABAMA FOR 1912

By Companies Compiled from the Report of the Chief Mine Inspector of the State.

The coal production of Alabama by companies compiled from the annual report of the chief mine inspector was as follows:

Tennessee Coal, Iron & RR Co.	3,450,085
Pratt Consolidated Coal Co.	1,717,448
Sloss-Sheffield Coal & Iron Co.	1,157,261
Alabama Fuel & Iron Co.	1,000,378
Republic Iron & Steel Co.	988,054
Woodward Iron Co.	905,262
Alabama Consolidated Coal & Iron Co.	558,001
Corona Coal & Iron Co.	448,521
Southern Steel & Iron Co.	345,481
Choctaw Coal & Mining Co.	299,729
Bessemer Coal & Iron & Land Co.	273,966
Roden Coal Co.	264,584
Central Iron & Coal Co.	232,381
Birmingham Fuel Co.	228,215
Little Cahaba Coal Co.	225,704
Galloway Coal Co.	218,171
Empire Coal & Coke Co.	194,536
Warrior Pratt Coal Co.	176,048
Sayre Mining & Mfg. Co.	165,543
Davis Creek C. & C. Co.	160,804
Yolande Coal & Coke Co.	144,468
Central Coal Co.	141,892
Red Feather Coal Co.	133,024
McCormick & Ramsey Coal Co.	131,235
Stith al Co.	92,550
American Coal Corporation	92,000
Blocton Cahaba Coal Co.	88,038
Samoset Coal Co.	82,122
Barney Cal Co.	77,719
Bryan Coal Corporation	77,626
Brilliant Coal Co.	75,942
Alabama Coal Co.	75,696
Warrior River Coal Co.	75,548
Stouts Mountain C. & C. Co.	72,556
Eldorado Coal Co.	67,897
Cahaba Southern Coal Co.	65,595
Commercial Coal Co.	65,587
Caledonia Coal Co.	63,012
De Soto Coal Mining & Dev. C.	62,379
Southern Coal & Coke Co.	61,503
Imperial Coal & Coke Co.	60,772
Red Star Coal Co.	58,232
Lehigh Coal Co.	56,219
Abernant Coal Co.	52,748
Seaboard Coal & Coke Co.	52,727
Black Diamond Coal Mining Co.	52,416
South Pratt Coal Co.	50,471
Connels Wyoman Steel Co.	47,435
Jugger's Creek Fuel Co.	47,344
Hills Creek Coal Co.	45,526
West Carona Coal Co.	45,067
Fairchild Coal & Coke Co.	45,000
East Pratt Coal Co.	44,472
Raccoon Mining Co.	44,250
Gold Creek Coal Co.	41,499
Walker County Coal Co.	40,589
Carbon Hill Mining Co.	40,298
New Pound Creek Coal Co.	40,020
Mabel Mining Co.	39,034
O'Rear Mining Co.	38,580
Wadsworth Red Ash Coal Co.	37,075
Branch Coal Co.	35,131
Baker's Creek Coal Co.	33,322
Montevallo Mining Co.	32,209
Eagle Coal Mining Co.	30,000
Warrior Black Creek Coal Co.	29,103
Balck Creek Coal Co.	28,702
Oake Leaf Coal Co.	28,087
Brookside-Pratt Mining Co.	28,261
Big Ridge Coal Co.	26,114
Scattering	545,975
Totals	16,513,030

Connellsville Deeds Recorded.

John Woods and wife to Mrs. Electa Shupe, land in Connellsville, $4,000; August 26, 1913.

Samuel D. Woods and wife to Electa Shupe, land in Connellsville, $3,000; August 26, 1913.

Jacob Koontz and wife to J. Lawrence Shick, trustee, land in Connellsville, $325; August 8, 1911.

Close of Shady Grove Park.

The picnic of the North Union township schools on Friday closed Shady Grove park for the season. The visitors during the day numbered about 2,000. The announced contest as to the handsomest male and female teachers did not take place. There were a number of athletic contests between school boys and girls.

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THE LONG MURDER CASE AT SOMERSET GOES OVER TO DEC.

A True Bill Was Found On Saturday Against the Accused.

IT WAS A HIGHWAY CRIME

In the Goldberg Arson Case, the County May Have to Share With Other Creditors in the Matter of Getting Its Costs.

SOMERSET, Sept. 13.—A true bill was found this morning against Josiah Long, charged with the murder of Carl Phillips, an Italian, whom he believed to have been too intimate with his wife. The crime was committed on the road between Long's home and Ralphton. Phillips and another Italian, James Sampwell, were riding in a buggy. Long shot them both, killing one and sending the other to the Johnstown hospital, where he has been ever since; and because of this illness, the trial of Long was postponed this morning until the December term of court.

John Horwatt, of Hooversville, aged 19, is on trial on the charge of malicious mischief, preferred by E. F. Ludwig, a Baltimore & Ohio detective. The boy is alleged to have placed spikes and other articles on the track and caused a wreck.

In the matter of the disposition of the costs assessed by the jury against Harry Goldberg, of Berlin, who was acquitted of the charge of arson, it is thought now that Goldberg, having been declared a bankrupt, the county will only get the same proportion of its costs in this case that the other creditors will receive. These costs amount to between four and five hundred dollars. No case ever tried in the Somerset county courts has excited more interest than this one.

Charles Bachets and Frank Phillips of Jerome, were convicted of highway robbery on Friday and sentenced to the Western Penitentiary for not less than two years nor more than three years. They took $20 from John Gabrosky. It was announced that C. H. Barnes, charged with adultery by J. A. Hummel, is a fugitive from justice.

The case of Mary May, charged with burglary by I. H. Friedline, was ignored by the grand jury; but found a true bill in the case of Mike Mader of Boswell, charged with murder by Constable Edward Arisman.

The case of M. D. Savillowich, charged with selling liquor without license by Constable Edward Arisman of Boswell, was continued.

Settlements have been effected as follows: Ivan Gardner, assault and battery, Mary Moser, prosecutrix; Louis Roth, selling cigarettes to minors; Garfield Shaffer, offense against morality, Lillian Parson, prosecutrix; John Way, offense against morality, Rosa Wegman, prosecutrix; Samuel Tinkey, assault and battery, Daniel Pirl, prosecutor; George Kos, violating liquor laws, County Detective Lester C. Wagner, prosecutor.

SOMERSET COURT NEWS

The Events of Importance During the Closing Days of Last Week.

SOMERSET, Sept. 15.—John Dorich was acquitted in court on a charge of larceny, preferred against him by Valentine Kashuta, of Ralphton. The prosecutor's father, John Kashuta, was killed while on his way to a Ralphton church last spring. The defendant conducts a boarding house at Ralphton, and Kashuta was one of the boarders. The son claimed that before he died the elder Kashuta gave Dorich a purse containing $56, a trunk containing clothing and several watches and chains. The son alleged that he received only $4 in money in the purse and none of the other personal property, charging the defendant with stealing everything else. The prosecutor claimed that he had seen Dorich wear shoes that belonged to his father.

Charles Long was acquitted of a charge of larceny on information of Ellen Spencer, of Paint borough, but assessed three-fourths of the costs, while the other one-fourth was imposed on the prosecutrix. The prosecutrix owns a dwelling house in Paint borough which she rented to Long. The tenant was delinquent in paying several months' rent and the prosecutrix issued a landlord's warrant. Long invoked the $300 exemption law and removed the goods from the house. Mrs. Spencer brought suit against him charging larceny. The verdict of not guilty was directed by the court, while the jury disposed of the question of who should pay the costs.

The defendants in the following cases pleaded guilty and were released on a year's parole: Patrick Calahan, assaulting an officer, John C. Bentley, prosecutor; Patrick Calahan, violating mining laws, John C. Bentley, prosecutor; Benjamin R. Hersh, false pretense, Conrad Keidle, prosecutor.

The grand jury ignored the case in which William Davis was charged with assault and battery by James A. Wilkins.

The following cases were settled: James Wilkins, assault and battery, William Davis, prosecutor; Albert Metts, offense against morality, Blanche Liminger, prosecutrix; William Trimpey, assault and battery, H. C. Cramer, prosecutor; Robert Hawkins, Jr., assault and battery, Joseph Prondy, prosecutor.

A Missing Italian Girl.

Carmella Martucci, 14 year old daughter of James Martucci, of Oliver No. 3, near Uniontown, disappeared from her home Saturday night, and it is believed she was induced to elope with Sam Gerade, aged 24 years, who is also missing. Mike Martucci, her brother, has offered a reward of $25 for the apprehension of his sister and Gerade. The latter had but recently come from Beechwood, W. Va.

ELECT TWO DIRECTORS

New Members Added to Governing Board of Chamber of Commerce.

Directors of the Chamber of Commerce filled two vacancies on the board at a meeting on Friday afternoon by the election of Attorney S. R. Goldsmith and W. R. Kenny. The session was the regular monthly meeting, and nothing but routine matters were on the calendar for consideration.

The plan of moving the quarters from the First National Bank building to the Citizens' National Bank building came up. Members of the board do not desire to change rooms unless it is absolutely necessary and will not move unless the bank requires their quarters for other purposes.

Members present were: President F. E. Markell, Worth Kilpatrick, J. R. Davidson, E. W. Horner, T. J. Hooper and W. L. Wright.

MONUMENT TO BRADDOCK

It Has Arrived in Uniontown and Will Be Put Up This Week.

The four large pieces which will constitute the monument for General Braddock's grave, that is to be dedicated with international honors, reached Uniontown Saturday. The entire monument weighs about 25 tons. There is one large base, with a second base, a shaft and a cap. The largest piece weighs about nine tons. When in position the monument will be about 12 feet high. Searight Marshall, who has charge of the erection, says it will be put up this week. He went to the Vermont quarries, after the order had been given, and saw the monument set up before it was shipped to Uniontown. Without the bronze tablets it will cost about $2,500.

BODY SNATCHERS

A Recent Attempt at Meyersdale to Steal the Body of H. J. Wilmoth.

MEYERSDALE, Sept. 15.—Quite a lot of excitement was caused recently by the attempt of several parties to exhume the remains of H. J. Wilmoth, who died several months ago, and who is buried in Union cemetery. The parties who attempted the ghoulish deed were frightened away by the sexton of the cemetery, Charles W. Kocher. What object the parties had in wishing to gain possession of Mr. Wilmoth's remains is not known, though several theories have been advanced. Since then an electric line has been built into the cemetery and watchmen are maintained day and night to frustrate any further attempts in that direction.

WILL RAISE RATTLERS.

Huntingdon County Man Starts a Rattlesnake Farm.

HUNTINGDON, Pa., Sept. 15.—Lawrence N. Crum, proprietor of a grocery at Mount Union, has started a rattlesnake farm, and he says that during the coming winter he will realize as large a profit from the rattlers as he will from his store.

A week ago, while out on the mountains, he captured 12 of the venomous reptiles, and has been keeping them on exhibition in his store window. Today the number of snakes had increased to 26. Crum will construct a den and breed snakes. The profit is made from a poison which is taken from the rattlers at short intervals. The pelts also bring high prices.

GOT INTO DEEP WATER.

Albert Edwards Rescued by Gas Company Employes.

Albert Edwards, who is hauling sand across the Yough river near the Connellsville Island, narrowly escaped death by drowning Thursday afternoon. In fording the river his horses went up stream a short distance above the ford and were soon over their heads. The heavily loaded wagon was buried beneath the waters, and Mr. Edwards, unable to swim, stood on the seat with the water to his neck shouting for assistance.

Neil Carrington and employes of the Fayette County Gas Company discovered his predicament and rescued him.

WHO SWIPED REGISTRY LIST?

When Assessor Friel Went to Look for It It Was Gone.

Who stole the registry book from the polling place in the Second ward? This is the question that Register-Assessor J. J. Friel is asking. Tuesday night Friel hung the book on a nail in front of the Whaley building, as required by law. Three hours later, when he went to get it, the book was missing. Friel asserts that the book was stolen for political purposes, and that he will prosecute the guilty party.

The registry book contains a duplicate list of names of the registered voters filed in Uniontown the forepart of the week.

Hunters' Licenses in This County.

Hunters' licenses are going out at Uniontown at the rate of from thirty to forty a day, and it has been found necessary for County Treasurer Capt. William S. Craft to employ a special deputy to assist in the work. Miss Blanch Shrum has been given the position. Three hundred and twenty-five licenses had been issued when the office closed Wednesday evening, and it is expected that by October 1st not fewer than 2,000 licenses will have been issued. The fee is $1. License does not give permission to hunt on other people's grounds without permission of the owner.

John Magle's Ox Roast.

John W. Magle, a candidate for council in Uniontown, was host on Saturday to between 1,500 and 2,000 people at an ox roast in Searight's field on the outskirts of the town. Besides roasted ox there were other good things to eat such as roasting ears, eight bushels of tomatoes, two large boilers of coffee, bread, buns, etc.

Acids Killing Fish.

Poisonous acids from the big tannery at Confluence are said to be killing many thousands of fish in the Youghiogheny river. They are of all varieties. Some were seen Sunday floating at the mouth of Indian Creek. The department of fisheries at Harrisburg has been twice notified, but nothing has been done.

BALDWIN WANTS HIGH EFFICIENCY IN FIRE FIGHTING

Bring Department Up to Standard, Says State Fire Marshal.

SENDS COMMUNICATION TO CHIEF

Haddock Receives Letter From State Official in Which Methods for Better Fire Fighting Are Suggested; Increased Efficiency Looked For.

State Fire Marshal John L. Baldwin is sending out bulletins to the various fire departments of the state, calling attention to the necessity of efficiency in equipment in fighting fires to render the best service to the community. The bulletin received by Fire Chief John M. Haddock is of interest and follows in part:

"The aim of every company comprising a fire department is naturally to reach the highest point of efficiency in equipment in fighting fires and render to the community the best of service. In addition to fighting fires and of equal, if not of more importance, should be the prevention of fires which would mean the saving of many thousands of dollars, and in reducing the risk of loss of life asumed by every member of a fire company when responding to a fire. Fire prevention is today recognized in many of the states as of great importance, and associations are being formed for that purpose.

"Not to be behind other states, the State Fire Marshal would suggest and urge that the chief and individual members of every fire company in the state, become thoroughly familiar with the construction of buildings in their respective districts, by making frequent inspections of the same and report to the proper official any building or structure that by reason of its condition is found especially liable to fire and that it is so situated as to endanger other property, also, report any accumulation of trash or rubbish in or around buildings that by reason of its inflammable nature might cause fire. Interest should be taken by members of a company in knowing that their district is clean and that all fire traps and possible cause of fire is positively eliminated.

"Fire prevention should appeal to and be the slogan of every company and work along that line should be vigorously pushed. The preparedness of companies for emergencies should not be neglected, and every company, whether large or small, should have proper and full equipment for the fighting of fires; care should be given to the selection of the apparatus and particularly to the quality and care of hose. After using hose it should be thoroughly dried and placed on truck or reel so as to be in readiness for instant service when required. Use care in the selection of the thread; see that it is interchangeable with that used by other companies so that no delay may occur should occasion arise necessitating extension of line and use of hose belonging to others.

"Look into the water supply for fire purposes; see that it adequate at all times; that feed pipes are of sufficient size to give a strong pressure. Do this at once so that when a fire occurs you will not be hampered in your efforts to save property, and be compelled by lack of water to stand about in a helpless manner. Go over the fire plugs; see that there is a sufficient number and that they are conveniently placed. Make it the duty of some particular member to frequently flush pipes and be watchful in winter time that plugs do not freeze. A little attention may be the means of saving life and property that otherwise might be sacrificed by this neglect."

STATE HIGHWAY LOAN

The Local Auto Club Will Get Into Active Touch With Voters.

Public approval of the measure adopted by the state legislature, providing for a bond issue of $50,000,000 for state highways, is to be urged by the Connellsville Automobile Association. At a meeting of the board of governors last night the proposed act was thoroughly discussed and the board decided to urge every member of the club to write personal letters requesting votes for the loan.

The ordinance regulating street traffic was also discussed. Borough Solicitor F. D. Munson was present and explained its provisions. He will make whatever change the ordinance committee of council suggests before the measure is presented for passage. Without a dissenting voice, the governors favor the enactment of this ordinance. Their attitude is one for the betterment of local conditions—to relieve congestion on the downtown streets; and they believe that the pending ordinance will accomplish this end.

One feature of automobile regulation that will be inserted in the document forbids the use of cutouts, and compels the use of mufflers while the cars are being run through town. This provision will be welcomed, it is believed, by all members of the club.

Plans for a club run were discussed at some length. The governors favor holding one this fall, and President George A. Munson will broach the matter at the next meeting. It was decided to hold a meeting next Thursday evening. As the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce will not be available for this prpose, the governors today are looking for other suitable quarters. In the event that they are found, it is probable that a permanent lease will be made.

The governors were considering at noon a plan to secure the state armory for the next meeting. If they are successful, arrangements will be made to conduct a smoker there Thursday evening.

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MORE BOYS THAN BEANS AT FRIDAY'S Y. M. C. A. SPREAD

Another Lay-out Arranged for the Early Future; Enrollment for Next Year's Campers' Club.

More boys than beans was the condition that confronted the secretary of the Y. M. C. A. Friday evening, when the first bean supper of the season was ready. However, no one went away hungry, and when the call for members for the campers' club for next year was issued 25 boys were quickly enrolled.

Secretary Bear announced that the camp next year would last a month, the fee being fixed at 50 cents a day, any boy between 12 and 15 being eligible, if he is willing to earn the money required to pay his own way, and the campers being given the option of staying in camp, one, two, three or four weeks.

A bean supper will be given in the near future to give the boys a chance to get started on their camp fee, the proceeds to be divided among the members in proportion to the number of tickets each sells. Raymond Ward was elected treasurer of camp funds. Boys who would like to go to camp next year are urged to be at the supper next Friday evening, when plans for the first public supper will be completed. To get in on the Friday evening suppers hereafter boys are required to register and pay in their dimes not later than Thursday evening.

FITS OF INSANITY

Last Heard of Leslie Mendel, He Was in Uniontown Hospital.

Leslie Mandel, the Port Perry man, who was struck by a train here last week and injured about the head in such manner that he has been subject to wild fits of insanity at times ever since; in fact, in his mad moments the straight-jackets of the Mount Pleasant hospital were not strong enough to hold him, nor the bars of the jail at that place sturdy enough to keep him confined to a cell, was brought to Connellsville by Mount Pleasant police on Saturday afternoon and left here, evidently under the idea that it would be a good thing to get him away from Mount Pleasant altogether. Though apparently in good health, and sane enough, Mandel nevertheless applied to the police here for quarters shortly before 7 o'clock that evening, saying he felt another of his fits coming on. He was put in a cell, and sure enough a short time later was seized with convulsions.

Dr. S. G. McCune was summoned to give him medical attention, and after a time he was relieved. In his lucid intervals he said he felt he was going to die, and asked that a priest be summoned. Rev. William Merz, of the Immaculate Conception Church, responded to the call, and was with Mandel when another fit came over him. After a time, however, he quieted down and slept the remainder of the night.

Sunday morning Chief of Police George Hetzel secured an ambulance and had the man conveyed to the Pennsylvania railroad station, whence he was taken to the Uniontown hospital on the 10 o'clock train. He was too weak to walk, his left leg apparently being completely paralyzed, but on the train he was again attacked by the strange fits, though he did not become so violent.

Mandel seems possessed of superhuman strength in his insane periods, and straight jackets and iron bars have no terrors for him. He was much weakened, however, when he reached the hospital. He told the police that he is from Port Perry, and said that his wife and family are well cared for.

FAILING FOR PROFIT.

Merchants Do It In Pittsburg, Says New York Attorney.

PITTSBURG, Sept. 13.—That a "bankruptcy ring," exists in this city is the opinion of Frank Hickok, attorney for the National Jewelers' Board of Trade of New York City.

In a room in the Fort Pitt Hotel last night Hickok exhibited a detectagraph record, which won a confession from Lewis Shupe, who "failed" last April, that his "failure" was instigated by a certain ring of attorneys.

Holy Name Society Will Meet.

At the monthly meeting of the Diocesan Union of the Holy Name Society, to be held next Sunday at Washington, Pa., it will be definitely decided by the members, who are representatives of the Holy Name societies, where or not the Holy Name pageant will be held this year. For some years past there has been a Holy Name parade in Pittsburg, in which thousands of Catholic men and boys participate. The Holy Name Society of Connellsville always sends a large delegation.

Had a Long Auto Trip.

Dr. A. R. Kidd and wife, and John H. Work and wife, returned from a 1,600 mile automobile trip through Virginia, Ohio and Western Pennsylvania, on Sunday night. They left on August 31st, and among the places they touched were Roanoke, Staunton, Richmond, Va., Akron and Cleveland, Ohio, and Cambridge Springs, Pa. The trip was made in Mr. Work's car.

Granted Marriage Licenses.

Albert G. Michberg, of Unity, and Sennie A. Carlsen, of Pittsburg, were granted a marriage license in Pittsburg Saturday.

John Herbert Jay, of Connellsville, and Ida Ritenour, of Springfield, Mamie Lynch, of Juniata, and James Darking, of Mount Pleasant, were granted marriage licenses in Uniontown Saturday.

High School Work.

Work in domestic science and manual training was begun on regular schedule in the High School this morning under the supervision of A. O. Stone and Miss Louise Hench. Miss Mary Brickman, supervisor of drawing, also began her work in this line in the schools. Indications are that the year will be successful in these branches.

Odd Fellows Honor Flint.

R. D. Flint, of Connellsville, was elected grand director of the Grand United Order of Odd Fellows, at the annual state convention held at Charleroi.

A STYLE SHOW IS TALKED OF HERE FOR NEXT MONTH

Considered by Local Merchants at a Meeting Here Last Night.

ALL ARE IN FAVOR OF IT

Its Purpose is to Show to the Public the Complete Up-to-Dateness of the Goods Carried by the Business Men of Connellsville.

A number of prominent merchants of Connellsville met last evening in the Wright-Metzler store to discuss and take action on a proposed Connellsville Style Show, which, if the project should be successfully carried out, will probably be held October 8, 9 and 10. These dates were discussed, but no definite action was taken. F. W. Wright was elected chairman of the meeting, and the following committees were appointed: Finance, F. R. Graham, E. C. Moore and M. H. Feldstein; advertising, E. W. Horner, Harry Dunn, and A. J. Kobacker. These committees, in addition to their work will visit the merchants who were not present last evening and ask them to join in the movement. Merchants who were unable to attend last night had discussed the style show at different times, and were heartily in favor of the movement.

The object of the Style Show is to make it clear to the people of this and surrounding towns that the merchants of Connellsville can supply them with as complete merchandise stock at as fair prices as the large cities, even though they are not in a position to handle as large a variety. If the Style Show should be held, all stores will hold their opening on the same day, instead of each store having a different date for its opening.

There is not a merchant in Connellsville who will not be in a position to engage in the movement, as there are always new styles being introduced in all lines of business. The Style Show will be entirely different from bargain day. No special bargains will be on sale; but, instead, every merchant will make a special effort to have on display the finest goods in his establishment, competing in quality and style with the best stores of the larger cities.

Since every merchant on hand was heartily in favor of this show, there is little doubt as to its being held. Connellsville is noted for its fine stores, and if the Style Show is carried through the people of this city and vicinity will be given an opportunity to witness one of the most elaborate displays of merchandise ever exhibited here. Style Shows are held in larger cities, and have met with great success, as they give shoppers the correct idea of quality, assortment and style of goods handled.

The conference adjourned about 10 o'clock. At a meeting to be held soon the committees will submit their report, and further arrangements be made.

The merchants present were A. B. Kurtz, M. Grodzin, W. N. Leche, T. J. Hooper, E. W. Horner, William Long, A. J. Kobacker, M. H. Feldstein, Harry Dunn, E. C. Moore, F. W. Wright, W. L. Wright and R. M. Evans.

WILLIAM KELLEY'S GIFT

Has Donated a Trough for the West Side's Public Pump.

The public pump on Main street, West Side, is to have a new watering trough, donated by William Kelley, general manager of the Connellsville Iron Works. Several days ago a farmer who had driven some distance stopped at the pump to water his horse. Finding no trough, he took off his felt hat and filled it with water to quench the thirst of his animal. Mr. Kelley happened to pass at the time, and realizing the need of the trough he offered to pay for the erection of one. The pump was donated to the West Side some time ago by the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, with the understanding that the town council would keep it in repair. It has been sadly neglected, and for some time it has been without a trough.

BIG TIM'S FUNERAL

Twenty Thousand Line Streets of Bowery as Remains Pass By.

By United Press.

NEW YORK, Sept. 15.—Nearly 20,000 people, some in broadcloth and some in rags, by far the greater number from the lower walks of life, lined the pavements of the Bowery as the remains of "Big Tim" Sullivan were conveyed to St. Patrick's Catholic Church on Mott street.

In the cortege were 20 members of the National House of Representatives, of which Sullivan was a member, they having been delegated by Speaker Clark to represent that body at the funeral.

The casket was covered with a blanket of flowers, many of which were the gifts of those whom Sullivan was wont to term "my own people."

DIES IN SPEEDING AUTO.

Prominent Bedford County Man Expires at Steering Wheel of Car.

JOHNSTOWN, Sept. 11.—Samuel A. Van Ormer, aged 45, editor of the Bedford Gazette, was found dead this morning beside his overturned automobile in which he was driving alone near Shellsburg. Physicians say he died of apoplexy, after which the car proceeded in a straight line until it reached a curve.

Van Ormer was chairman of the Bedford county Democratic committee, and was a prominent Mason.

Wedded in Cumberland.

John Scott, Magnet and Elizabeth Lieband, both of Meyersdale, were married in Cumberland Saturday.

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THE MEYERSDALE FAIR

Great Attendance Thursday; Winners in the Races; Fun by the Band.

MEYERSDALE, Sept. 13.—Thursday was the largest day at the fair, it being estimated that fully 6,000 people were on the grounds during the afternoon. Both railroads brought many people to town, while hundreds arrived by automobile, trolley and in carriages. In the morning the farmers' parade was held, and it is believed to have been an improvement in many ways over last year's parade. Two bands—Berlin and the Citizens' Band of this place, were in line, the latter being dressed as "rubes," presenting a novel appearance, and provoking considerable applause and laughter on the part of the thousands of spectators who lined both sides of the street along the line of march. Following is the result of Thursday's races:

2:16 Pace, Purse $300.

Gold Bug, b. g., Thomas Gibbons, New Martinsville	2	1	1	2 1
Violet, r. m., W. A. Shank, Ellerslie,	1	3	2	1 2
Patchen Bell, blk. m., D. R. Hershey, Germantown	3	2	3	3 3
Helen Kenny, s. m., W. A. Shank, Ellerslie, Md.	5	5	4	4 4
Katherine K., b. m., George Longerbeam, Cumberland,	4	4	ds	

Best time: 2:15¼.

Special Pace, Purse $300.

Duncan Direct, L. Von Lunen, Johnstown	1	1	1
Elizabeth, b. m., F. E. Sipe, Somerset	2	2	2
Tom Patch, L. Von Lunen, Johnstown	3	4	4
Judge, br. g., W. A. Shank, Ellerslie, Md.	4	3	3

Best time: 2:22¾.

2:30 Trot or Pace, Purse $300.

Louis Logan, c. g., James A. Clark, Schellsburg	1	1	1
Jew, s. g., G. G. Price, Moundsville, W. Va.	3	2	2
Prince Medium, b. s., J. Phillips, Somerset	2	5	5
Rose, b. m., Ben Feight, Davidsville,	4	4	4
Paul Dillard, b. r. g., G. M. Mays, Cumberland, Md.	5	3	3

Best time: 2:23¼.

Goes to Huntingdon.

A term in the Huntingdon reformatory was given by the court Saturday morning in Uniontown to Allison Drennan, alias Ryan, of Connellsville, who plead guilty to an assault on J. H. Strawn of Connellsville.

Summary Auditors' Report.

AUDITORS' REPORT OF THE School District of Dunbar Township, Fayette County, Pennsylvania, ending July, 1913, filed at No. 497 June Term, 1913, and confirmed nisi, and unless an appeal be taken within thirty days the same will be confirmed absolutely.

Receipts	$56,728.38
Expenditures	55,272.03
Balance	1,456.55
SINKING FUND.	
Receipts	$ 3,273.32
Expenditures	3,265.00
Balance	8.32
Resources	115,107.04
Liabilities	26,496.33
Resources in excess of liabilities	$8,611.71

WM. McCLELLAND, Prothonotary.
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Summary of Auditors' Report.

AUDITORS' REPORT OF THE School District of the Township of Perry, Fayette County, Pennsylvania, for the year ending July 1, 1913, filed September 1, 1913, at No. 502 June Term, 1913, and confirmed nisi, and unless an appeal be taken within thirty days the same will be confirmed absolutely.

Receipts	$37,817.96
Expenditures	37,426.42
Balance on hand	391.54
RESOURCES.	
Cash on hand	391.54
Due from Collector	728.28
Value of School Property	73,000.00
Total	$74,119.74
LIABILITIES.	
Due on Notes	$ 5,500.00
Due on Bonds	12,000.00
Due Collector Comm.	177.70
Total	$17,677.70
Resources in Excess of Liabilities	$56,442.04

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[illegible] RATHER THAN FACE TRIAL ON UGLY CHARGES

Suicide of Former Cashier H. F. Barron This Morning in Somerset.

SHOT HIMSELF IN BATH ROOM

No Longer Any Hope of Postponement of His Case, He Saved Any Further Trouble by Ending His Life; Was a Prominent Citizen.

SOMERSET, Sept. 11—Henry F Barron, former cashier of the Farmers National Bank here, and former treasurer of the board of poor directors of Somerset county, was taken into the criminal court here yesterday on a call to answer a charge of embezzlement. He was refused further delay, and given into charge of Sheriff Charles F Hochard, the latter allowing him to spend the night in charge of officers at the home of his father-in-law, Daniel Stahl, of Somerset. Mr Stahl was Barron's bondsman, but had refused to be further responsible for him, and it was this refusal that put Barron in the sheriff's custody.

This morning, finding there was no further escape from facing a court of justice, Barron killed himself with a revolver, putting a bullet hole through his temple and dying instantly. This took place in the bathroom of the Stahl residence. Andrew Coleman had spent the night there with him as a guard, the sheriff having allowed this liberty so that Barron might not go to jail.

When Coleman told him shortly before 10 o'clock that it was about time to prepare for the journey to the court house Barron asked for a few minutes time in the bathroom to get ready. He had barely gotten there when Coleman heard a shot. He hurried to the bathroom to find that Barron had taken his life in the manner indicated. He was dead when Coleman reached him. This occurred at 9 45 o'clock.

There were two criminal suits against Barron one for embezzling three thousand dollars from the poor board, and the other for embezzling $42,000 from the Farmers Bank of Somerset, of which he had been the cashier. The latter case was triable in the United States Court in Pittsburg. When Barron was arraigned there last May he got a postponement on the plea of illness. On the same ground he had been easily handled in this county. Soon after the postponement last May, in the United States Court, Barron left this section of Pennsylvania and spent most of the summer the Yellowstone Park, and at the summer resorts. No one now believes he had been really ill at all. He got back to Somerset last Saturday.

Deceased had been a deputy sheriff and prothonotary of Somerset county and chairman of the Republican county committee. He was a 33rd degree Mason an Odd Fellow a Knight of Pythias and belonged to the Lutheran Church. He leaves a wife, his second, who was Elsie Stahl, also a sister, Mrs. John A. Berkey, and a brother, Edward F Barron of Somerset. Barron was to have been tried in Pittsburg next month. Believing there was no further hope of staving off answers to the suits, and being no doubt hopeless of favorable results, he simply shut the window of life and pulled down the curtain.

At noon today a verdict of acquittal was rendered here in court in the case of Harry Goldberg, a clothier of Berlin, who was charged with arson in setting fire to his clothing store last March for the purpose of collecting several thousand dollars insurance on it. The jury saddled him with the costs. His attorneys will move the court that this part of the verdict be set aside.

SANNER'S SWEETHEART

She is Prostrated Over His Death in Connellsville Tuesday Night.

CLARKSBURG W Va., Sept. 11—Miss Carrie Jamison, 20 years old of this city, was prostrated when she learned yesterday of the selfdestruction of her sweetheart "Handsome Jack" Sanner, in Connellsville, Tuesday night. Sanner left her Monday morning after a visit beginning last Saturday. They were engaged to be married, September 20.

Miss Jamison says she met Sanner several months ago while he was working in this city. Some of the letters which the young woman sent to Sanner had been received by another person by the same name and delayed in reaching their destination. Worried over this, Sanner came here last Saturday, but when he left he was in high spirits in anticipation of the coming marriage.

RULING AGAINST SULZER

Judge Hasbrouck Decides That He is Now Without Executive Authority

KINGSTON N Y Sept. 11—Justice Hasbrouck, in ruling this morning on a writ of habeas corpus granted to Joseph Robin, a New York banker, held that Governor Sulzer had been impeached by the legislature and that, while awaiting the result of his trial, Sulzer is without executive power.

Robin, who was a convict from New York City charged with embezzlement, had been pardoned by Sulzer. This pardon was resisted on the ground that Sulzer is not now governor, having been impeached. This is how the matter got before Judge Hasbrouck, who has now upheld the contention against Sulzer.

Wedded in Cumberland

Miss Gladys Jean Newcomer of Confluence, and Harley Buser of Davis, W. Va., were married Wednesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Kelley in Cumberland, Rev. E. P. Sykes' pastor of St. Mark's Reformed Church, officiating. The bride formerly resid[illegible].

THE SLAYER OF MRS. PRICE TAKEN NEAR WASHINGTON

The Dead Woman's Brother Recognized Him on the Driver's Seat of a Passing Wagon.

WASHINGTON, Pa., Sept 12—Just nine days after the murder of Mrs Oliver Price at Rices Landing Walter Thomas, the 18-year-old farm hand of the Prices, accused of the crime was captured at "S" Bridge on the National pike, four miles from here last evening by the dead woman's son Walter Price, a deputy sheriff of Rices Landing while he with his father Oliver Price, and a number of friends were returning from Rices Landing after giving up the search as hopeless.

Price, with his father and a party of friends came to Washington county on the advice of Mrs W W Frazee who lives on the pike just west of here. Several days after the crime Mrs. Frazee said a boy answering Thomas' description came to her home and asked for a drink of water.

As the party reached "S" Bridge, J A. Sharpnack, the chauffeur noticed a wagon coming towards them. He slackened speed to let the wagon pass. There were two men in the front seat and as it passed Price turned his head in the direction of the wagon. As he did so, Thomas, one of the occupants of the wagon, also turned his head and gazed toward the automobile. Price immediately recognized him. Jumping out of the machine he placed Thomas under arrest, and brought him to the jail here. Price carried a warrant charging Thomas with murder.

Questioned at the jail by Chief of Police J D Bumgarner of this place, Thomas denied he committed the crime. Asked why he left the home Thomas told a conflicting story. First he said he looked into Mrs. Price's bedroom and seeing Mrs Price lying dead on the bed in a pool of blood with her grandchild Bertha Fox aged 12, who was also seriously beaten nearby in a bed, also apparently dead he left the house, fearing that he might be accused of the crime.

Then he said he intended leaving the home before the crime came to his knowledge. He told the chief that when he left the home he followed the main roads toward Washington county and that Wednesday of last week he secured a position as driver with the R B Taylor Construction Company which is repairing the old National Pike in the vicinity of the Washington county line.

He spoke freely of his actions after leaving the Price home but tried to avoid any conversation about the crime. He was very nervous and for a time it was thought he was on the verge of collapse. He was taken to the Greene county jail this morning.

One of the strongest bits of evidence against Thomas picked up by the authorities today was secured at the R B Taylor Construction camp where the employes say he frequently talked of the crime and that he had said the police should "keep their eyes on that Thomas boy." When Thomas applied for a position with the Taylor company he said his name was John Ray and that he was a glassworker from Point Marion.

FAMILY MEETING

Three Clans Gather Prize Winners in Sports

The Steiner Mensch and Rosensteel family reunion at Oakford Park was one of the most enjoyable affairs of the kind ever held there between 300 and 400 people being present, including people from Los Angeles California Springfield and Cleveland Ohio Indiana, and surrounding towns. The morning was spent in renewing old acquaintance a ball game and a tug-of-war between the third and fourth generations which ended in a tie. All gathered around the pavilion and sang "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow" and then sat down to a splendid dinner. Following dinner the people assembled in the auditorium and after singing America listened to two excellent addresses by Rev D A Solly of Greensburg and Rev W G Russell of Scottdale. After this the company sang "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" and adjourned to witness the races where all cash prizes were paid. The following were the events and winners:

Fifty yard dash women's free-for all $5 Mrs W D Mensch

Seventy-five-yard dash men's free-for all $5 Keener Fox

Seventy-five yard dash little girls $2, Goldie Mensch

Seventy-five-yard dash boys $2 D A Miller

Three legged race, $2 Harry Rosensteel and Merl Parson

Fifty yard sack race $2 Arnold Adams

Shoe and stocking race small boys $2 Williard Freeman

Seventy-five yard dash men's free for all $2, William Cunningham

Egg and spoon race woman's, $2 Lena Cutman

Egg and spoon race woman's $2 Mrs Frank Anderson

Ladies race $2 Mrs W F Cunningham

Fifty-yard dash little girls, $2 Mildred Freeman

Supper was served after the races. A feature of the reunion was the buttons used to designate the members of the three clans meeting, the Steiners wearing a red button, the Menschs a white button and the Rosensteels a blue button each button having the family name also printed on it. Silk ribbon badges distinguished the members of the different committees. A very beautiful souvenir program was also used.

Enjoyable Birthday Party

About forty guests attended a surprise party tendered John D Kooser at his home in Moyer in honor of his thirty-eighth birthday. Various games were played and refreshments were served. Mr Kooser received a number of presents. The guests were Mr and Mrs. Charles Balsley, Mr and Mrs John Balsley, Mr and Mrs Richard Ritenour Mr and Mrs. Samuel Hice Mr and Mrs R M Boyd, Mr and Mrs. Calvin Grim Mr and Mrs John Errett Mr and Mrs G W Kooser Mr and Mrs John Gray Mr and Mrs H W Detwiler Mr and Mrs Frank Patison Mr and Mrs. William Ulery Mr and Mrs Harry Burkett, Mr and Mrs. John Solskey, Mr and Mrs J D Kooser Miss Irene M Kooser, Miss Edith Kooser Mrs. Leasure Herbert, Mrs. George Kuffer Mrs. Victor Detwiler, Mrs J K O Hara and Alexander Kooser.

BEST YEAR IN THE HISTORY OF THE LOCAL Y. M. C. A.

President Horner is Highly Gratified Over the Results Achieved.

UNIVERSITY EXTENSION WORK

Proposition to Continue it This Winter, An Offer of Mechanical Instruction from State College, The Outlook for Football this Fall

"We are nearing the end of the best year we have ever had in the history of the Association" was the declaration of President Horner of the board of directors of the Young Men's Christian Association at its regular monthly meeting last night. "Prospects for the coming year are infinitely brighter than at this time last year," said Secretary Baer after the meeting. Mr Baer has been retained for another year as general secretary, and with Albert Everhart a star college athlete as physical director is preparing a campaign for aggressive work for the coming months.

Among the features of this year's service, which will be emphasized and enlarged, is the university extension work that was begun last winter. Prof J Z Zimmerman, of the University of Pittsburg who taught practical mining last year was in Connellsville yesterday to arrange for a class to begin work on October 1. As before the university will furnish an instructor, the Y M C A will provide the place of meeting, and effect the organization while the students pay $1 00 a month each to cover traveling and local expenses of the instructor.

Professor Zimmerman says the Connellsville class last year was the best in every respect he had on his circuit of five towns and while the university requires a class of not less than 30 in order to secure the instructor this year, Secretary Baer is confident that the required number can be obtained. The chief difficulty in the way of these classes last year has been overcome by the university preparing a series of lessons supplying the need of a proper text book. The class will begin with the fireboss course and continue into more advanced work later in the winter.

Pennsylvania State College has also offered to furnish instruction in mechanical drawing descriptive geometry steam boilers heating and ventilation, steam engines steam turbines gas engines railroad mechanical engineering practical electricity and mechanics—in fact almost any mechanical subject for the study of which the Association can organize a class. The cost of such instruction will be only the price of text books and necessary postage for correspondence.

Men who are interested in either the mining class or in any of the mechanical lines named should communicate with Secretary Baer.

Physical Director Everhart has met with some encouragement and some discouragement in the matter of a representative football team. While the choice of three different Saturday dates has been offered him by the Carlisle Indian Reserves it is not yet certain that the ground can be secured for either date. The meeting called for tonight will decide whether or not the team will be a go and for that reason all who are interested either as prospective players or lovers of the game are urged to come out at 7 30 and boost.

An inexpensive plan for heating the swimming pool in the coldest weather has been hit upon by Secretary Baer and the necessary plant will be installed as soon as the financial campaign which is scheduled to begin September 28th has been successfull concluded.

MR. THOMPSON BUYS A FARM

The Levi Springer Property Largely Increases His Landed Estate

J V Thompson of Uniontown bought yesterday at public sale the Levi Springer farm of 274 acres for $150 an acre making the total price $41 100. The farm adjoins the Thompson estate in North Union township. Among the personal effects sold were 150 tons of hay which brought $12 50 a ton. A drove of cattle numbering 25 head went for $7 50 a hundred and 55 sheep were sold for $5 25 a head. Corn in the field was sold for $31 an acre. One horse brought $250 and another was sold for $165. The household goods brought enormous prices because much of the furniture was of antique design.

This purchase by Mr Thompson brings his landed estate on the outskirts of Uniontown up to the magnitude of 1 200 or 1 300 acres.

A GLOOMY OUTLOOK

Dr Kellogg's Theory as to the Increase of Insanity

COLORADO SPRINGS Sept 12—Statistics purporting to show that the human race gradually is becoming insane and the prediction that the time will come when there will be no more births were the features of an address before the American Public Health Association here yesterday by Dr J H Kellogg of Battle Creek Mich. The achievements of modern science he declared are bringing about race degeneracy by saving the weaklings.

To regain our lost estate he added "we should get back to nature. We must cultivate health instead of disease."

Killed While Returning from Fair

Ellsworth Younkin of Confluence about 23 years old was instantly killed by a Baltimore & Ohio train at Salisbury Junction. Younkin attended the Meyersdale fair and was riding home on a freight train. At Salisbury Junction he attempted to jump from one freight train to another when he fell under the train and was instantly killed. The body was shipped to his home at Confluence.

The Weekly Courier $1 00 a year.

SHE WEDDED A FORMER NEW MEXICO CONGRESSMAN

Daughter of C B Gans of Uniontown Unexpectedly Marries Near Washington City

Miss Martha Core Gans daughter of Mr and Mrs Charles B Gans of South Gallatin avenue Uniontown and Former Representative George Curry, of New Mexico were married on Thursday. Miss Gans left Uniontown on a visit to Washington D C last Monday. The couple were married at Rockville Md where they went from Washington in an automobile.

George Curry served a term as Representative in Congress from New Mexico. He was formerly governor of Minanao chief of police of Manila and captain in Roosevelt's Rough Riders. He served during the second session of the Sixty second Congress. His home is at Tularosa, N M and he gave his age as 48 years.

It is believed Miss Gans met Mr Curry while visiting at Washington. Mr Curry was in Uniontown some time ago and asked Mrs Gans for the hand of her daughter. She refused. The only reason she gave was that she didn't think he was the man for Martha. She also intimated that the girl was too young to be married. Mr and Mrs Curry left Washington last night for a honeymoon trip to New Mexico.

THE COUNTY PROHIBS

Thursday's Conference in Uniontown to Make Plans for Winter Campaign

The Prohibitionists of Fayette county met in Municipal Hall Uniontown, Thursday to plan the winter's work. Albert Gaddis president of the Citizens Title & Trust Company presided with Attorney William H Martin of Uniontown as clerk.

Attorney H L Robinson of Uniontown furnished the feature of the morning session. He was on the committee of five appointed by Judge Nathaniel Ewing to supervise the work in this county during the last prohibition amendment campaign. He told of the amount of work and of money put into that fight by party Prohibitionists and declared that they have been the back bone of every non partisan temperance campaign, while the head of the opposition came from the old party organizations.

Others to speak were Daniel Sturgeon C E Balsley Rev Homer Liddy Uniontown Rev C O Bemies McClellandtown R H Young Point Marion and Rev L W LePage Dunbar.

At the afternoon session Attorney H L Robinson spoke on the 1913 Election Laws. He detailed the various changes since the time of the open ballot and he explained the present complicated system. He also gave a list of candidates to be elected and explained the method of their nomination and election.

Rev C O Bemies suggested various plans of work and of organization. Attorney W H Martin followed with an able presentation of the subject of Finances. Each subject received a generous share of open discussion. The formal program closed with a paper by Ernest Allison Smith formerly a Prohibition worker in Connecticut. Since August Mr Smith has been working in this county. Mr Smith's subject was Literature and Our Party Press.

On motion of H L Robinson a committee was raised to consider the matter of a permanent county organizer. This committee consists of Albert Gaddis, Daniel Sturgeon, R H Young, Rev C O Bemies and F Scott Dunn. The prospect is good for an aggressive winter's work. Rev Robert B Carnes and T Scott Dunn were the Connellsville delegates present.

THE G. A. R. VETERANS

Names of Veterans Living and Deceased to be Published

The monthly meeting of William F Kurtz Post No 104 Grand Army of the Republic Friday in the Post room at City Hall was the best held for some time. Eighteen veterans which is considered an unusually large turnout took part. It was decided to publish the names of all members since the organization of the Post and mark the names of those deceased. Henry Kurtz was appointed to look after this. The post was organized in Connellsville in 1879 and the membership at one time was between 200 and 300. Death has cut down the ranks to 40. At its organization Captain L Dunn now adjutant was elected commander. The charter members are Dr G W Newcomer Henry Kurtz Captain Lloyd Johnston Captain E Dunn E Y White and Martin Donelly.

It was also decided to attend the annual reunion of the Fayette County Veterans Association on Thursday September 25 in Uniontown. An effort will be made to have as many members as possible attend as the reunion promises to be one of the best ever held. Features of the meeting were J Z Pritchard's and Henry Kurtz's interesting description of their trip to Gettysburg in July.

200 Hormells on the Ground

The first annual reunion of the Hormell family was held Friday afternoon on the Hormell farm in Centerville Washington county. It was a most pronounced success, over 200 members of the family attending.

Marriage Licenses Granted

Garland Thompson and Lizzie Beth Bennett, both of Trotter Raymond F Kunnell of Masontown and Emma K Blosser of Perry were granted marriage licenses in Uniontown Friday.

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R E Stone Sells Out in Uniontown.

The interests of R E Stone of McKeesport in the large furniture store of that name in Uniontown have been sold to Al G Leonard P P Long and S L Dean all of Uniontown. Including the stock fixtures book accounts leasehold good will etc the deal involves $101 500.

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Public Sale of Valuable Real and Personal Estate

BY VIRTUE OF AUTHORITY CONTAINED in the last will and testament of Elizabeth B Springer deceased and by joining with the heirs at law of Levi B Springer deceased I will offer at public sale on the premises in North Union township Fayette county Pa on Thursday September 11 1913 at 2 o'clock P M all that certain tract of land situate within two miles of Uniontown near the County Home known for many years as the Springer Homestead Farm on which the late Levi B Springer resided with his three sisters all their respective lives.

This farm contains about two hundred seventy three (273) acres of splendid land practically all of which is in a fine state of cultivation. There are erected thereon the large brick mansion house with cellar under the entire building and large porch along one side with a second story [illegible] above very large barn wagon sheds smoke house blacksmith shop and other outbuildings. There is also on the farm two good two story frame tenant houses. Two public roads pass through the premises so as to divide it into three separate tracts and it will be offered as a whole or in parts to suit purchasers. While the underlying nine foot vein of Connellsville coking coal has been sold from a large part of the farm and consequently will be excepted and reserved with the mining rights which have been conveyed with the same there remains about six acres of this vein of coal under and adjacent to the mansion house and will be sold with the farm. On this reservation there are two springs two cisterns and two wells. There also remain twenty acres more or less of the nine foot vein of genuine Connellsville coking coal under part of the farm and which with mining rights to be specified at time of sale will be afforded on the day of sale separate from the farm.

As an illustration of the productive quality of this land this year's hay crop is estimated at over 150 tons. In addition there is a large acreage of splendid corn a considerable amount of wheat and an abundance of pasture. It also contains a large apple orchard of choice fruit good springs of water are in nearly all the fields so that for either farming or stock raising considering its location very near the Old National Pike which is brick paved to Uniontown the convenience to market and excellent quality of soil it can be said without exaggeration that few if any finer farms can be found in Fayette county. One part of the tract containing about 100 acres lies below the nine foot vein except upwards of one acre on which a custom bank is now open and in good condition.

Also I will offer on the premises at the same time the nine foot vein of Connellsville coking coal underlying about twenty acres of said tract of land the correct acreage by survey to be announced on day of sale with like mining rights as have been conveyed with the coal heretofore sold. This outcrop coal extends to a level public road only a very short distance from the National Pike making it one of the finest locations for operating custom bank on a large scale considering its convenience to Uniontown this is left in Fayette county. The acreage is sufficient to justify the operation of a small coking plant.

Terms of Sale—(Subject to change for convenience of purchasers)—Ten per cent of entire purchase money to be paid on day of sale balance of one sixth on or before October 1 1913 and remainder in five equal annual payments from October 1 1913 with interest at six per cent per annum payable annually from that date. Deed to be delivered so as to convey good marketable title free of encumbrances except the reservation of coal and mining rights as above mentioned on payment of the one sixth of purchase money as above stated possession also delivered at the same time and deferred payments secured by bond with accompanying mortgage on the premises sold and mortgage to contain the usual sixty day scire facias clause with reasonable amount of insurance on buildings and attorneys commission of five per cent collection but with right of anticipation of payments.

Also at ten o'clock A M of the same day I will offer the [illegible] of household and kitchen furniture consisting of bedsteads and bedding bureaus [illegible] diningroom table clock carpets dishes and many other articles some of which are such as are only seen in homes where they have been kept as family relics and heirlooms.

Also a lot of farming implements plows harrows wagons mowing machine reaper cultivators and small tools convenient for farm [illegible].

Also 25 head of fine two year old steers in excellent condition a choice lot of live hogs and about 60 sheep.

Also upwards of 150 tons of hay lot of clean wheat straw and a large field of splendid growing corn.

Terms of sale of personal property made known on day of sale.

D M HERTZOG Executor of Elizabeth B Springer. G M FEE [illegible] tioneer [illegible]

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION SUBMITTED TO THE CITIZENS OF THIS COMMONWEALTH FOR THEIR APPROVAL OR REJECTION BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA AND PUBLISHED BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH IN PURSUANCE OF ARTICLE XVIII OF THE CONSTITUTION

Number One

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to article [illegible] of section four of the Constitution of the Commonwealth [illegible] [illegible] State [illegible] [illegible] dollars for the improvement of the highways of the Commonwealth.

Section 1 Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met that the following amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania be and the same is hereby proposed in accordance with the eighteenth article thereof—

That section four of article nine which reads as follows

Section 4 No debt shall be created by or on behalf of the State except to supply casual deficiencies of revenue repel invasion suppress insurrection defend the State in war or to pay existing debt [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] shall [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] follow

Section 4 No debt shall be created by or on behalf of the State except to supply casual deficiencies of revenue repel invasion suppress insurrection defend the State in war or to pay existing debt and the debt created to supply deficiencies in revenue shall never exceed in the aggregate at any one time one million of dollars Provided however, that the General Assembly irrespective of any debt may authorize the State to issue bonds to the amount of fifty million of dollars for the purpose of improving and rebuilding the highways of the Commonwealth.

A true copy of Joint Resolution No 1
ROBERT McAFEE
Secretary of the Commonwealth

Number Two

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to section seven article three of the Constitution of Pennsylvania so as to permit special legislation regulating labor.

Section 1 Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met That the following is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in accordance with the provisions of the eighteenth article thereof—

Amendment to Article Three Section Seven

Section 2 Amend section seven article three of the Constitution of Pennsylvania which reads as follows—

Section 7 The General Assembly shall not pass any local or special law authorizing the creation extension or impairing of liens

Regulating the affairs of counties cities townships wards boroughs or school districts

Changing the names of persons or places

Changing the venue in civil or criminal cases

Authorizing the laying out opening altering or maintaining roads highways streets or alleys

Relating to ferries or bridges or incorporating ferry or bridge companies except for the erection of bridges crossing streams which form boundaries between this and any other State

Vacating roads town plats streets or alleys

Relating to cemeteries graveyards or public grounds not of the State

Authorizing the adoption or legitimation of children

Locating or changing county seats erecting new counties or changing county lines

Incorporating cities towns or villages or changing their charters

For the opening and conducting of elections or fixing or changing the place of voting

Granting divorce

Erecting new townships or boroughs changing township lines borough limits or school districts

Creating offices or prescribing the powers and duties of officers in counties cities boroughs townships election or school districts

Changing the law of descent or succession

Regulating the practice or jurisdiction of or changing the rules of evidence in any judicial proceeding or inquiry before courts aldermen justices of the peace sheriffs commissioners arbitrators auditors masters in chancery or other tribunals or providing or changing methods for the collection of debts or the enforcing of judgments or prescribing the effect of judicial sales of real estate

Regulating the fees or extending the powers and duties of aldermen justices of the peace magistrates or constables

Regulating the management of public schools the building or repairing of school houses and the raising of money for such purposes

Fixing the rate of interest

Affecting the estates of minors or persons under disability except after due notice to all parties in interest to be recited in the special enactment

Remitting fines penalties and forfeitures or refunding moneys legally paid into the treasury

Exempting property from taxation

Regulating labor trade mining or manufacturing

Creating corporations or amending renewing or extending the charters thereof

Granting to any corporation association or individual any special or exclusive privilege or immunity or to any corporation association or individual the right to lay down a railroad track

Nor shall the General Assembly indirectly enact such special or local law by the partial repeal of a general law but laws repealing local or special acts may be passed

Nor shall any law be passed granting powers or privileges in any case where the granting of such powers and privileges shall have been provided for by general law nor where the courts have jurisdiction to grant the same or give the relief asked for—so as to read as follows—

Section 7 The General Assembly shall not pass any local or special law authorizing the creation extension or impairing of liens

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Changing the names of persons or places

Changing the venue in civil or criminal cases

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Remitting fines penalties and forfeitures or refunding moneys legally paid into the treasury

Exempting property from taxation

Regulating [illegible] mining or manufacturing but the legislature may regulate and fix the wages or salaries the hours of work or labor and make provision for the protection welfare and safety of persons employed by the State or by any county city borough town township school district village or other civil division of the State or by any contractor or sub contractor performing work labor or service for the State or for any county city borough, town township school district, village or other civil division thereof

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Nor shall any law be passed granting powers or privileges in any case where the granting of such powers and privileges shall have been provided for by general law nor where the courts have jurisdiction to grant the same or give the relief asked for

A true copy of Joint Resolution No 2
ROBERT McAFEE
Secretary of the Commonwealth

Number Three

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to section three of article eight of the Constitution of Pennsylvania.

Section 1 Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania (if the Senate concur) that the following is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in accordance with the provisions of the eighteenth article thereof—

Section 2 Amend section three of article eight which reads as follows

All judges elected by the electors of the State at large may be elected at either a general or municipal election as circumstances may require. All the elections for judges of the courts for the several judicial districts and for the county city ward borough and township officers for regular terms of service shall be held on the municipal election day namely the Tuesday next following the first Monday of November in each odd numbered year but the General Assembly may by law fix a different day two thirds of the members of each House consenting thereto Provided That such elections shall always be held in an odd numbered year," so as to read

Section 3 All judges elected by the electors of the State at large may be elected at either a general or municipal election as circumstances may require. All elections for judges of the courts for the several judicial districts and for county city ward borough and township officers for regular terms of service shall be held on the municipal election day namely the Tuesday next following the first Monday of November in each odd numbered year but the General Assembly may by law fix a different day two thirds of all the members of each House consenting thereto. Provided That such elections shall be held in an odd numbered year Provided further That all judges for the courts of the several judicial districts holding office at the present time whose terms of office may end in an odd numbered year shall continue to hold their offices until the first Monday of January in the next succeeding even numbered year

A true copy of Concurrent Resolution No 3
ROBERT McAFEE
Secretary of the Commonwealth

Number Four

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to section one of article nine of the Constitution of Pennsylvania relating to taxation

Section 1 Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met That the following is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in accordance with the provisions of the eighteenth article thereof—

Section 2 Amend section one of article nine of the Constitution of Pennsylvania which reads as follows

All taxes shall be uniform upon the same class of subjects within the territorial limits of the authority levying the tax and shall be levied and collected under general laws but the General Assembly may by general laws exempt from taxation public property used for public purposes actual places of religious worship places of burial not used or held for private or corporate profit and institutions of purely public charity so as to read as follows

All taxes shall be uniform upon the same class of subjects within the territorial limits of the authority levying the tax and shall be levied and collected under general laws and the subjects of taxation may be classified for the purpose of laying graded or progressive taxes but the General Assembly may by general laws exempt from taxation public property used for public purposes actual places of religious worship places of burial not used or held for private or corporate profit and institutions of purely public charity

A true copy of Joint Resolution No 4
ROBERT McAFEE
Secretary of the Commonwealth

Number Five

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Pennsylvania

Section 1 Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met That the following is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of Pennsylvania in accordance with the provisions of the eighteenth article thereof—

Article IX.

Section 17 No obligations which have been heretofore issued by any county or municipality other than Philadelphia to provide for the construction or acquisition of waterworks subways underground railways or street railways or the appurtenances thereof shall be considered as a debt of a municipality within the meaning of section eight of article nine of the Constitution of Pennsylvania or of this amendment if the net revenue derived from said property for a period of five years either before or after the acquisition thereof or where the same is constructed by the county or municipality after the completion thereof shall have been sufficient to pay interest and sinking charges during said period upon said obligations or if the said obligations shall be secured by liens upon the respective properties and shall impose no municipal liability. Where municipalities or counties shall issue obligations to provide for the construction of property as herein provided said municipalities or counties may also issue obligations to provide for the interest and sinking fund charges accruing thereon until said properties shall have been completed and in operation for a period of one year and said municipalities and counties shall not be required to levy a tax to pay interest and sinking fund charges as required by section ten of article nine of the Constitution of Pennsylvania until after said properties shall have been operated by said counties or municipalities during said period of one year. Any of the said municipalities or counties may incur indebtedness in excess of seven per centum and not exceeding 10 per centum of the assessed valuation of the taxable property therein if said increase of indebtedness shall have been assented to by three fifths of the electors voting at a public election in such manner as shall be provided by law

A true copy of Joint Resolution No 5
ROBERT McAFEE
Secretary of the Commonwealth

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A NEW B. & O. FREIGHT YARD AT SAND PATCH

To be Used for Helping Westbound Traffic; Capacity 200 Cars.

BETTER RUNNING CONDITIONS

New Cut-off to Connect the Wheeling Division and the Monongahela Line; Will be of Great Assistance to Through Traffic.

The Baltimore & Ohio railroad has put into operation a new freight yard at Sand Patch, Pa., on the Connellsville division, 35 miles west of Cumberland. The yard has a capacity of 200 cars and is used in the handling of westbound traffic. The improvement is embraced in the plan of the Baltimore & Ohio of increasing its facilities for the movement of traffic in the mountain regions.

The new yard is known as a set-off yard. At Sand Patch the Baltimore & Ohio lines cross the crest of the Allegheny range and in handling freight in this territory the tonnage of trains is reduced while ascending the slope. In the new yard at Sand Patch the cars are assembled so that the trains can proceed without delay, greatly expediting the movement of traffic.

A revision of the main tracks was made in connection with the new yard improvement, better running conditions and separating the facilities for passenger and freight service. The new yard at Sand Patch is a part of the extensive improvement recently completed at that point and which embraced the construction of a third track stretch of line and a new double track tunnel to carry the three tracks through the crest of the mountains.

Surveys have been completed for the new cut-off line which the Baltimore & Ohio railroad will build to establish a new connection between the Wheeling division and the Monongahela river line of the Monongah division, in West Virginia, facilitating the movement of through traffic and the handling of coal from the extensive coal fields on that section of the system. The new line will be known as the Monongah cut-off. It will be built from Kingmont, on the Wheeling division, to Gaston Junction, on the Monongahela line, a distance of three miles. The cut-off will shorten the distance by five miles in handling through traffic and effect an economy in operating costs as it will avoid three grades where helper locomotives are required and save the handling of a large amount of through traffic in the Fairmont yards.

Upon completion of the improvement eastbound trains will be run over the cut-off and into Grafton for classification, instead of taking the trains into Fairmont, where extra handling is required. The cut-off will also afford a new route for through business between the east and the west, thus reducing the volume of traffic on the main line of the Wheeling division.

It is expected that the contract for the new line, which will include a bridge about 300 feet long, will be let in the near future. The improvement was decided upon while the Baltimore & Ohio officials were on a general inspection trip over the system several weeks ago.

AUTOMATIC TRAIN STOPS

The Most Complete System Does Not Always Insure Safety.

In a report to the Interstate Commerce Commission by H. W. Belnap, chief inspector of safety appliances, who has just completed an investigation of the Tyrone wreck of July 30, the necessity for some form of automatic train-stopping device is strongly urged. The Tyrone wreck was a rear end collision between two passenger trains caused by failure to observe and obey signals. Inspector Belnap, in his report, concludes:

"A consideration of accidents of this character, which have occurred within the past two years, leads inevitably to the conclusion that even the most complete and modern system of fixed signals is not adequate under all circumstances to insure the safe operation of trains. While it is true that under the automatic block system, such as was in use where this accident occurred, the possibility of the occurrence of errors likely to lead to disaster is greatly reduced as compared with the train order system and the natural block system, even the most modern system of fixed signals does not guard against nor provide any protection against failure of enginemen properly to observe and obey the signal indications."

A NEW FAST FREIGHT

Will Run on Western Maryland Between Baltimore and Chicago.

Determined to give the shippers of Baltimore the best facilities possible for the movement of traffic to and from the West, the Western Maryland Railway Company announced today the establishment of a new fast freight service between the Monumental City and Chicago. It goes into effect on the 15th of this month, and, as a result Baltimore will be linked up with the West and Northwest by a new fast freight line over which will be moved all classes of preferred freight.

This additional freight service provides for the operation of a through freight train to and from the West, which will leave Baltimore in the evening, arriving in Pittsburg in time for an early second morning delivery in the Smoky City. From Pittsburg the train will continue its run on a fast schedule to Chicago, and the same service will be maintained between Chicago and Baltimore. The schedule will be adhered to, regardless of the tonnage that might be offered.

Miner Killed at Alicia.

Steve Yanik, 28 years old, was killed in the Alicia mines Friday afternoon. Coroner J. J. Bell was notified.

FIGHT MINE FIRE UNDER EYE OF "MOVIE" MACHINES

Blaze in Oak Station Mine Nearly Gets Beyond Control; Officials Witness Test.

PITTSBURG, Sept. 11.—Twenty-one members of a rescuing corps, working under the supervision of the United States Mine Rescue Bureau worked like trojans today to extinguish a mine fire at Oak station, while "movie" photographers recorded their every move on 15,000 feet of film, which will be used by the government for educational purposes.

The mine fire was started for practise, but it soon reached such a stage that the fire fighters had a job on their hands to extinguish it. It did not get beyond control, however.

The mining men arrived here last evening from Washington, and immediately made preparations for the event. The workings of an abandoned mine at Oak station were filled with well soaked oil material, and when the word was given shortly after 8 o'clock this morning the torch was applied. A great volume of smoke filled the mine, issuing from air passages and shafts. The smoke was in such volume that the fire-fighters experienced considerable difficulty gaining the upper hand of the flames.

A SEA FERRY TO HAVANA

Will Carry Passenger Trains Over the Water from Key West.

The Florida & East Coast Railroad Company, which has built a railroad chiefly over the water to Key West, will establish an open sea ferry from the latter point to Havana, a distance of 106 miles. An order is about to be placed for two steel ferry boats 400 feet in length, 58 feet in beam and 24 feet in depth of hold. It is stated that these ferry boats will be the largest of their kind in the world. Each will have a capacity for carrying 36 of the largest passenger cars. They will be driven by engines of 5,000 horsepower.

The plan in view is to provide facilities whereby a passenger boarding a train in New York will be landed by the railroad and its ferry service at Havana without having to leave the car.

RECOMMENDS PROBE

Commission Would Investigate Entire Question of Steel Rails.

The Interstate Commerce Commission recommends a thorough investigation into the entire question of steel rails, their manufacture and wear. Commission experts claim to have found new defects in rails known as "transverse fissures." H. W. Belnap, chief inspector of safety appliances for the commission says:

"The insidious character of the fissures and their menace to safe travel by rail fully justify the conclusion reached in previous reports upon steel rails, that there is an absolute necessity of making a complete investigation of track and rail conditions."

The purpose is to determine the effect thereon of recent types of locomotives and cars with greatly increased wheel loads.

GREENE CO. COAL STORIES.

The Attitude of Bankers an Important Consideration.

There are some tall stories afloat about heavy sales of coal acreage in Greene county, to important manufacturing interests, but advices that are trustworthy state that the reports are premature.

It can be said that there are negotiations pending for coal properties all the time, but until bankers take a more liberal attitude regarding the value and security of coal property as a collateral for financing it is likely that a number of these proposed transactions will be indefinitely held back.

New B. & O. Link.

The Baltimore & Ohio has purchased the Belmont Central railroad, built a number of years ago to develop the Belmont, O., coal fields, and it is reported that the purchasers will use it as part of a connecting link to be constructed to connect the Newark and Cleveland divisions.

Revocation of Sale Order Asked.

Last April an order was made by court for a receiver's sale of the Keystone Tube Works of Connellsville. On Saturday the Citizens Title and Turst Company of Uniontown asked that the order be revoked.

Squire Issues Hunter's License.

Squire P. M. Buttermore of the West Side, has been kept quite busy issuing hunters licenses at the Main street office the past few days.

SUPT. C. L. FRENCH IS PROMOTED TO A HIGHER POSITION

Made Asst. Gen. Supt. Pittsburg System of the B. & O.

O. L. EATON SUCCEEDS HIM

S. C. Wolfersberger Takes Eaton's Job; These Advancements are in Pursuance With the Company's Policy of Merited Promotion to Employes.

Important promotions in the operating department of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad are announced to become effective September 15.

C. L. French, superintendent of the Connellsville division is to be promoted to Assistant General Superintendent of the Pittsburg system, with headquarters in Pittsburg. O. L. Eaton, assistant superintendent of the Connellsville division, with headquarters at Somerset, and in charge of the Somerset & Cambria line from Rockwood to Johnstown, is to become superintendent at Connellsville. S. C. Wolfersberger, supervisor of transportation of the Pittsburg system, becomes assistant superintendent at Somerset. The successor to Wolfersberger will be announced this week.

All of the officials concerned in the change are Baltimore & Ohio men who have spent their railroad careers with the company. The promotions are in line with the policy of the road of filling vacancies by advancing men within the ranks.

C. Lee French is a native of Cumberland. He received his education in the Cumberland high school and entered the service of the Baltimore & Ohio in October, 1883, as a clerk in the train dispatcher's office. Learning telegraphy, he became an operator and was promoted to train dispatcher in June, 1889, and chief dispatcher at Cumberland in August, 1902. His next advancement was to the position of assistant trainmaster of the Cumberland division in February, 1904. He was appointed superintendent of the Connellsville division April 1, 1910.

O. L. Eaton, the new superintendent at Connellsville, was born at Shpuestown, Pa., and entered Baltimore & Ohio service in November, 1881, as a telegraph operator and clerk in the agent's office. Filling various positions to August, 1885, he was promoted to train dispatcher in June, 1900. He was appointed assistant trainmaster April 1, 1908. Eaton's next advancement was to the position of assistant superintendent at Somerset, where he has remained until this time.

S. C. Wolfersberger, who becomes assistant superintendent at Somerset, was born at Broad Ford, and entered Baltimore & Ohio service in June, 1882, as a warehouseman, later becoming yard clerk and in April, 1887, he became a locomotive fireman. He was advanced to locomotive engineer in March, 1892, and was promoted to Road foreman of engines in October, 1901. In September, 1904, he was appointed trainmaster of the New Castle division, with headquarters at New Castle, and was next advanced to supervisor of transportation of the Pittsburg district, which duties he has discharged until his latest promotion.

RETENTION OF HIGH WAGES.

This Grateful Fact Announced by Pittsburg Manufacturers.

PITTSBURG, Sept. 13.—Sixteen thousand workmen in the steel plants of this city, and thousands in the west, were made happy today by the announcement of the continuation of high wages.

Following the bi-monthly meeting of representatives of the Republic Iron & Steel Company, and the Amalgamated Association of Iron, Steel & Tin Plate Companies, it stated that the manufacturers consider the present state of prosperity sufficient to warrant them in retaining the same high wage scale.

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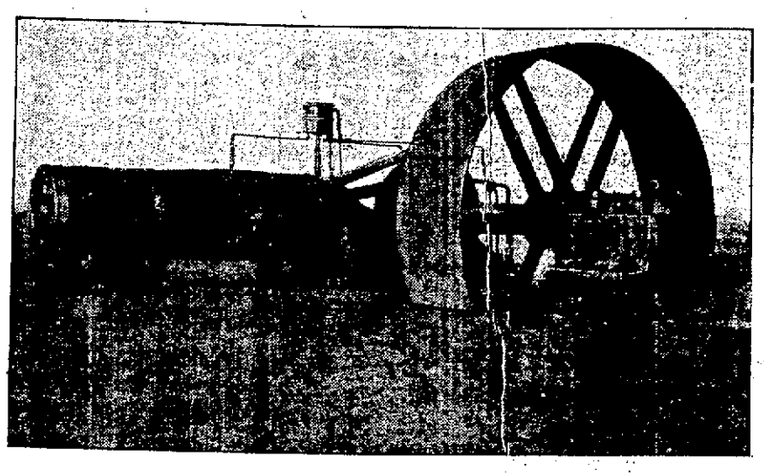

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